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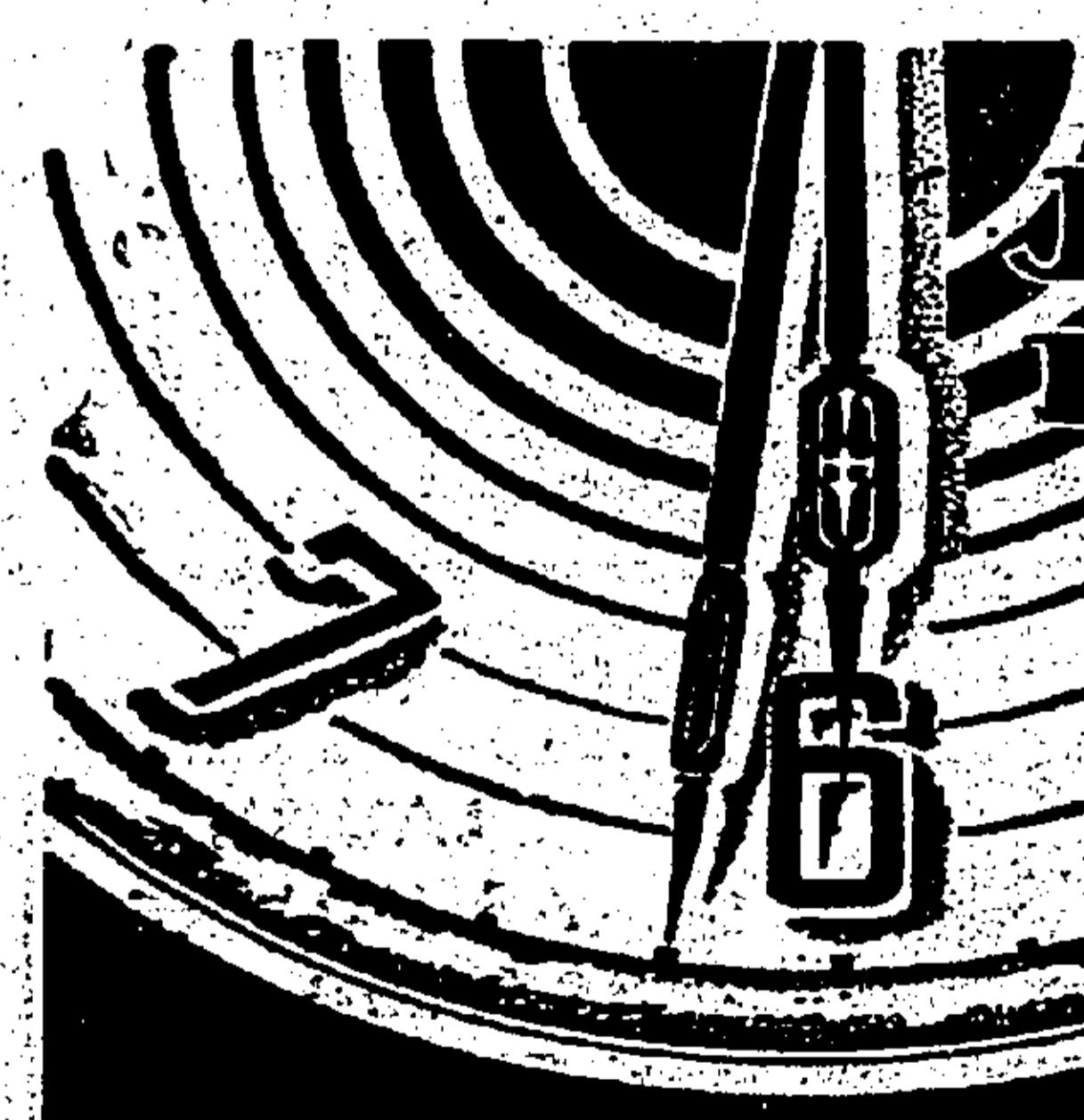
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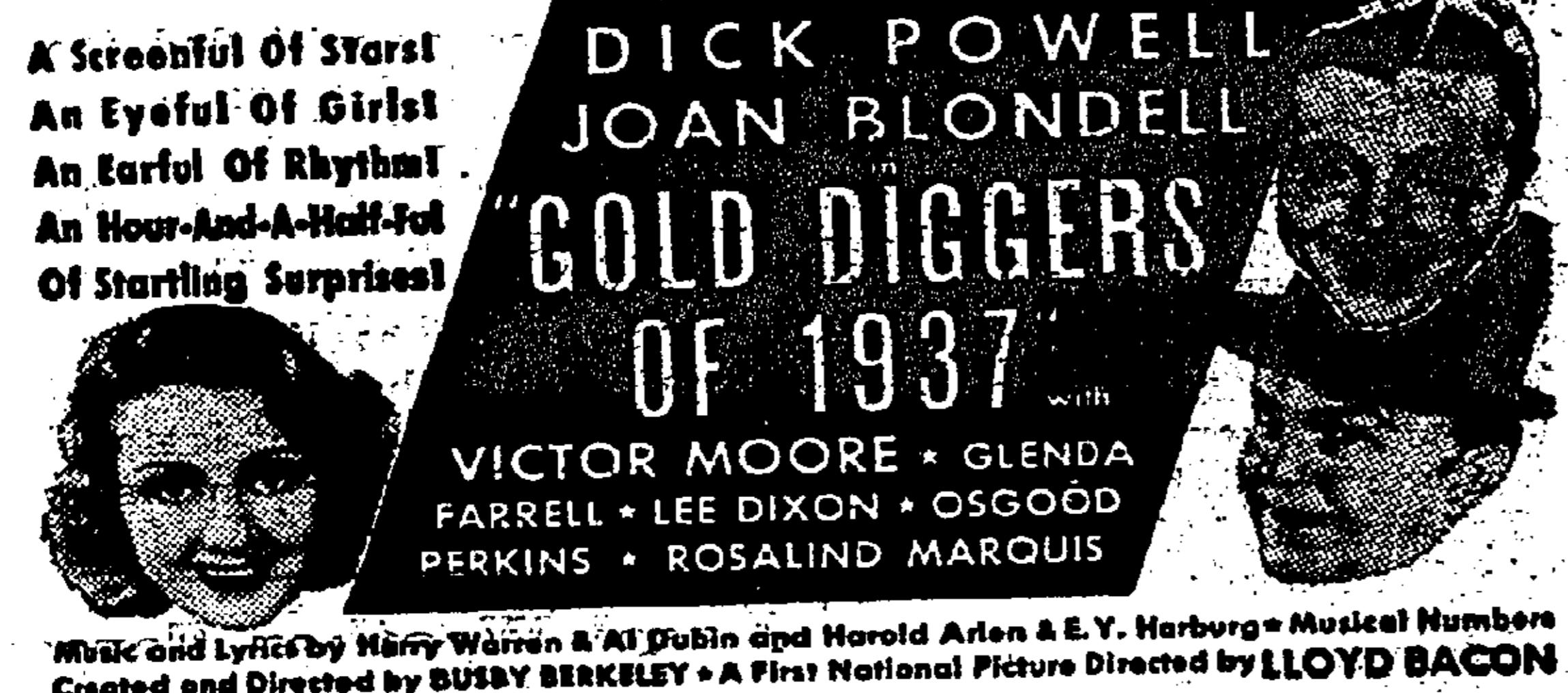
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## The STORY of THE CROWN JEWELS

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### COLONEL BLOOD'S THEFT

IN 1671  
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A DAY WAS FIXED  
ON WHICH THE NEPHEW  
WAS TO BE INTRODUCED  
TO HIS FUTURE WIFE.



BY AN EXTRAORDINARY CHANCE,  
A SOLDIER SON OF MR. EDWARDS OBTAINED  
LEAVE TO VISIT HIS FATHER ON THE VERY DAY  
FIXED FOR THE "BETROTHAL BREAKFAST"  
WHEN BLOOD PLANNED TO CARRY OUT  
THE THEFT.

AT 7 A.M. BLOOD AND  
HIS FRIENDS ARRIVED.  
THEY FOUND MR. EDWARDS  
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### Cold-blood Shooting By Pirate Gang

### FRENCH FOREIGN POLICY

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A junk owned by Ng Ma-so, carrying a cargo of \$1,700 worth of wolfram, was attacked near the Ninepin Islands on Saturday, the crew of four including Ng Ma-so being menaced by dynamite, a revolver and daggers.

Five men boarded from a "strange" boat, tied the master and his fokis up in the hold, but later landed Ng and one foki in the Saikung district. He proceeded to the Saikung police station and reported the occurrence.

#### ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE?

Yesterday, the rest of the story was part told when Wang Yiu, 51, one of the fokis was found shot at Cheung Chau, and was sent to hospital, and later the other foki who had been kidnapped was found shot dead.

At present it is not known whether they were shot attempting to escape, or whether they were landed at Cheung Chau and cold-bloodedly fired upon.

#### DIVINE WIND

Leaving Berlin For  
Paris

Berlin, To-day. The Japanese monoplane Divine Wind, which flew to Germany after its record-making dash from Tokyo to London, is leaving Tempelhof aerodrome to-day for Paris.

The airmen had planned to hop off yesterday but the start was delayed by bad weather.—Trans-Ocean.

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### DUTY-FREE RICE MANDATE

Final Approval Likely  
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Nanking, To-day.  
Having received a cable jointly signed by General Yu Han-mau, Pacification Commissioner, Mr. Wu Te-chen, Governor of Kwangtung, and Mr. T. K. Ching, Vice-Minister of Industry, urging the Government to uphold its decision to allow foreign rice to be imported into the province free of duties, the Executive Yuan is to hold a meeting this morning to consider the question.—Our Own Correspondent.

### Nanking Banquet

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Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Acting Premier and Foreign Minister, is giving a banquet to foreign diplomats this evening.—Our Own Correspondent.

### Belgo-Canadian Week

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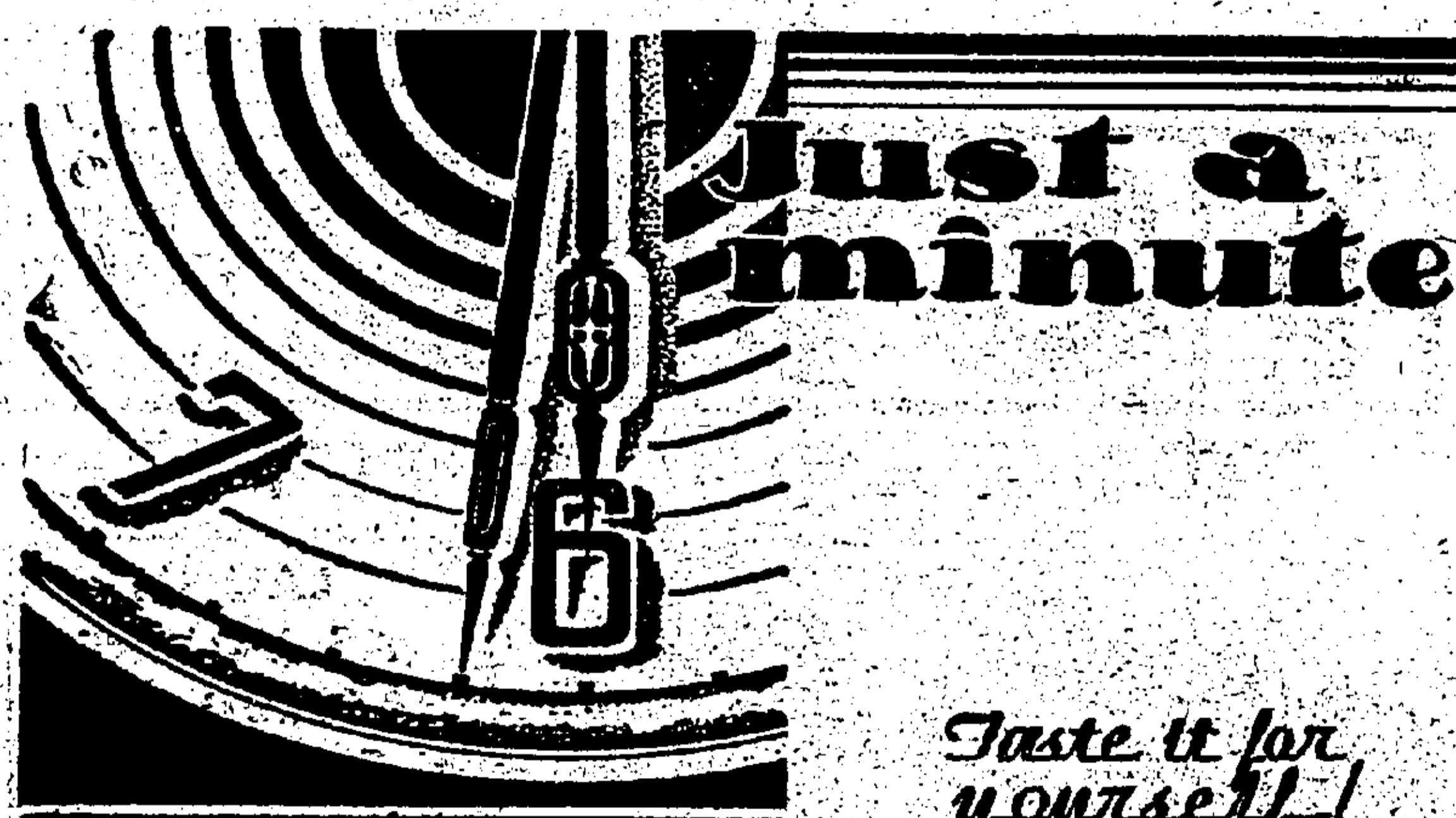
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## THE WORLD GOES BY

HERE are some strange stories from many parts of the world, sent by Reuter correspondents.

### Most Envied Woman

Maria Zogarska is puzzling the medical experts of Lodz, Poland. Although she is 65 years old and has been married for 37 years she looks like a girl of 20.

Doctors who have examined her say that her interior condition and skin do not show the slightest signs of age.

Maria has never been ill in her life. She drinks a little wine occasionally but has never smoked nor drunk coffee.

### George Washington Lied

George Washington Lied is the name of a Negro miner in Birmingham, Alabama.

This was revealed when the firm which employs him checked up the Christian names of its workmen in connexion with registration under the new social security programme.

Another Negro put down the name of his father as "Sunday Morning Johnson."

### His Diet Is Glass

A Japanese whose staple diet is glass is the prime object of interest to the specialists of Kyoto Imperial Hospital.

He is Masso Minamio, aged 25, who thinks nothing of eating a dozen empty beer bottles a day. He also appreciates earthenware and finds electric light bulbs delicious.

### Hose Spouts Fish

Firemen were wielding a hose at one of the stations in Vancouver, British Columbia, when suddenly a trout shot out of the nozzle.

The fish which was six inches long was dead. All the firemen present declare that the story is authentic.

### Instalment System Marriage

A Justice of the Peace at Stamford, Connecticut, has issued cards which state, "this card will entitle one couple to have their marriage ceremony performed in 1937 and pay for it in 1938."

### His Penny Conscience

"This is conscience money. I owed it to the Warrenheip Station 45 years ago." With this remark a man handed to the ticket collector of Ballarat Station Victoria, one penny.

The coin was put in the next train for Warrenheip addressed to the Station Master.

## CHEERFUL CHEUNG CHAU GATHERING

### Island Celebrates With The Lossiuses

Cheung Chau, Monday. Various activities have been in evidence on the Island. The Annual Theatrical Troupe paid their three-day visit and the local tea-rooms and catering departments did a good business as special ferries were run from Hong Kong and the weather being perfect, crowds availed themselves of the opportunity to see the show, which was held as usual near the Fishermen's Temple in a lofty and spacious matshed.

The Fire Brigade had their reel in readiness along a specially constructed gangway into deep water but their services were not needed.

The Forestry Department has been busy planting over 600 young trees along the roadsides, replacing those destroyed by the typhoon. They have also trimmed many of the old trees and cleared away the weeds and undergrowth.

The assembly hall has received attention and beauty treatment in the matter of repainting and repairs to shutters and doors etc. The roads have been widened and a new path made in front of the Hospital giving a scenic route and the shortest way through the village nearby. The Kai Fong are digging a new well.

Happy gatherings took place at Nos. 7 and 15, congratulating Captain and Mrs. Lossius on the occasion of their Diamond Jubilee Wedding anniversary. High tea was served, with two unique cakes, one with a wind jammer and the other a steamer, on top. Beautiful baskets of flowers were presented to the Captain and his wife and everyone wished them good health for the years that may yet remain to them both.

At No. 7, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. de Silva reside, and they acted as host and hostess, in fact it was a double celebration as yesterday was the birthday of Mr. de Silva.

Dr. and Mrs. Holling have arrived for a short stay on the island. Enquiries have been coming in for summer rentals and those who wish to secure a house are advised to book early and avoid possible disappointment.

Mrs. Kastman of No. 27 left for Germany on Friday last and we wish her a pleasant voyage.

The new buildings replacing those burnt out last September on the main street are making good progress towards completion and some are already occupied. — Our Own Correspondent.

## NEW U.S. MINISTER IN NORWAY

### Mrs. Florence Harriman Appointed

Washington, To-day. Mrs. Florence J. Harriman, a member of the Democratic National Commission, who has a long record in American public life, particularly in connexion with women and industry, has been appointed American Minister to Norway.

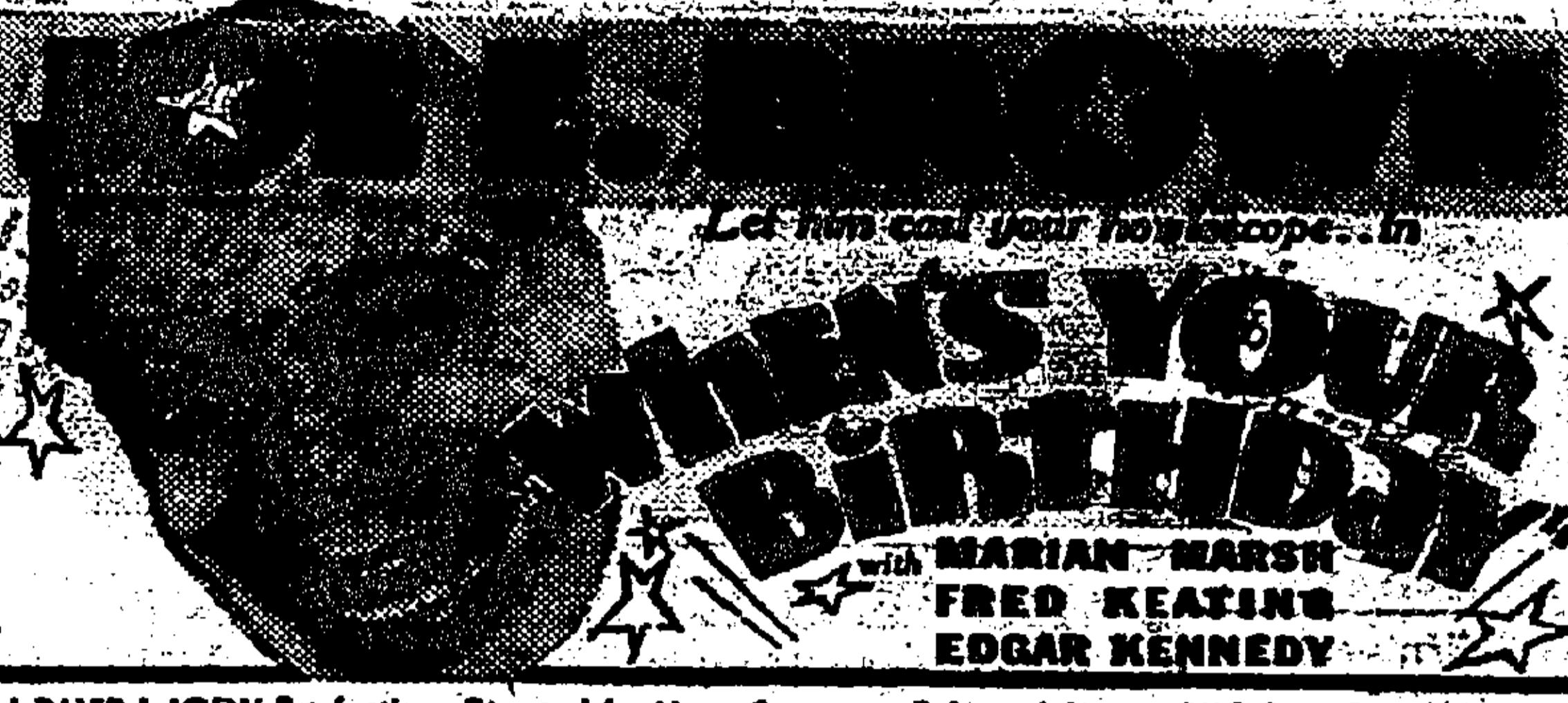
Mrs. Harriman succeeds Mr. Anthony J. Drexel-Biddle, Jr., whom President Roosevelt has nominated as Ambassador to Poland.—Reuter.

The s.s. Shirala will leave Amoy for this Port on the 22nd instant and is due here on the afternoon of the 23rd.

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## JAPANESE ELECTION CAMPAIGN OPENS BITTER ATTACK ON THE HAYASHI CABINET BY MINSEITO

TOKYO, April 16. Japan's urgent war needs have been met by the government but the welfare of the labouring masses has been outrageously neglected, the Minseito political party alleged to-day in an attack on the cabinet of General Senjuro Hayashi.

The Minseito statement asserted that "to-day the people are sorely strained. They are worried by steady price rises and tormented by heavy burdens. Their rescue is urgent and pressing.

"The masses will never forgive the wrong done by the government in dissolving the Diet, which was the most unprecedented outrage in parliamentary history. Consequently, the Diet's failure to equalise the burdens of the people, revise the present unfair tax system, introduce social legislation, pass a farm land bill and the peoples' insurgent bill makes the government responsible for the discontent of the people."

### Cabinet Appeal

Earlier in the day General Hayashi declared that the nation's acute international situation is caused by Russia's policy in Asia and the huge United States and British naval expansion programme. The Premier, who caused the recent

session of the parliament to be dissolved by Emperor Hirohito, urged the voters to elect a new House qualified to carry out a programme necessitated by the grave situation facing the empire. Millions of copies of the premier's appeal were printed in the form of an Official Gazette.

Meanwhile the first large manifestation of growing labour unrest due to soaring prices, tax increases and other burdens came in the form of a strike of 1,000 workers of the Tokyo Nikko Electric Railway, forcing suspension of traffic. The employees are demanding higher wages. Police arrested ten strike leaders when they dispersed a meeting of strikers and their sympathisers.

### Seiyukai Critics

The Minseito attack on the cabinet was the second such attack within the past few days by a major political party. Previously the Seiyukai party demanded the resignation of the Hayashi government, alleging that it "recklessly, cowardly and unconstitutionally dissolved the Diet after the parties had generously co-operated in passage of the budget," which carried heavy items for the army and the navy.

The government has ordered provincial officials to prohibit May Day parades and celebrations indefinitely. Authorities said it was feared such labour demonstrations might interfere with peaceable general elections on April 30.

Political observers predict that the government, which dissolved the Diet on its last session day, will meet decisive defeat when it faces the new House.

## CHINA'S LATENT ECONOMIC POWER

### EXPORT FACTORS FAVOURABLE

Latent but real factors of strong economic power are in evidence in China, declares M. Lucien Romier, noted French journalist, in an article published by *Le Figaro*, one of the series devoted to the problem of the evolution of Chinese Economy and sent to the paper from China, where M. Romier is now visiting.

Firstly, the writer says, "there is the human factor, i.e. China's innumerable labour hands, ambitious, possessing highly developed artisanship qualities, contented with low wages, always ready for expatriation and capable of prompt acclimatisation.

"The outlet factor comes next, China having an interior market, unexcelled in its capacity of covering the manufacturing costs."

Thirdly, one should consider the extent to which China's trade has spread throughout the Far East. "Chinese communities have practically monopolized direct trade and all credit relations with the native populations from the Sunda Isles to Burma, from Malay States and Siam to French Indo-China."

For the sake of comparison, the writer gives several examples of commercial expansion, which, he says, may also be witnessed day in China. He mentions America, which had absorbed enormous sums of European capital and became Europe's competitor, and what a competitor closing her markets to European trade; the U.S.S.R., "which is now building up its industrial power and which will dominate the markets of half of Asia within the next 10 years; and finally, Japan, "whose mass production and low prices bear serious prejudice to foreign trade in the Pacific and Indian oceans."

## CRIPPS AND THE DUCE

### Agreement On "Parsons"

Sir Stafford Cripps, addressing a meeting of protest against the Italian "atrocities" in Abyssinia at the Memorial Hall, Farringdon-street, London, said that the methods used against the natives in Addis Ababa had always been the methods of imperialism.

For perhaps the only occasion in his life he agreed with Mussolini when he said that the Anglican parsons should have perceived the beam that was in the eye of British imperialism before they looked for the mote that was in the eye of Italian imperialism.

England was a very respectable and righteous nation—self-righteous mostly—and soon the people were to be made more aware of the glory of the nation by the Coronation. And yet the methods which were now called Fascism had always been a common trait of Imperial Governments.

It was hypocrisy to decry the methods of Mussolini while permitting the continued exploitation of the black races by the British Empire, and it was about time that Englishmen began to learn the truth of the "white man's burden" and the civilising mission of Western Europe.

The struggle of the natives against imperialism was the same as that between the workers of this country and the capitalists.

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12.30 p.m.—The London Piano-Accordian Band.  
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1.03 p.m.—A Recital by Milian Korjus (Soprano) and Malcolm McEachern (Bass).  
1.25 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.  
1.40 p.m.—A Variety Programme.  
2.15 p.m.—Close down.  
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.  
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.  
7 p.m.—Variety.  
Orchestra—  
O. Sole. Mio.... Magyari Imre & His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.  
Vocal—  
I'll sing you a thousand love songs..... Marc Henri.  
Orchestra—  
"Careless Rapture"—Selection, Geraldo and His Orchestra.  
Piano Solo—  
Piano Medley No. R. 19, Charlie Kunz.  
Vocal—  
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7.35 p.m.—Songs by Walter Glynne (Tenor).  
"Evening"—  
I wait for you.  
Tralee.  
Walter Glynne Medley.  
7.50 p.m.—Sonata For Violin and Piano in G Major (Bach), played by Adolf Busch (Violin) and Rudolf Serkin (Pianoforte).  
1st Movement—Adagio.  
2nd "—Vivace.  
3rd "—Largo.  
4th "—Presto.  
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 p.m.—A Recital by Grace Moore (Soprano).  
Musetta's Waltz Song ("La Bohème"—Puccini).  
Funiculi, Funicula (Denza).  
"The King Steps Out"—  
Learn how to lose, Stars in my eyes.  
8.15 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Light Pianoforte Recital by Mura Kanis.  
1. Prelude in D Major, Lindoff.  
2. Pastoral in A Major, Schumann.  
3. The Prophet Bird, Mendelssohn.  
4. Bees' Wedding, Moussorgsky.  
5. Gopak, Orchestral—  
The Clock and the Dresden China Figures, Ferdy Kauffman and His Orchestra.  
In the Moonlight, The London Palladium Orchestra.  
Organ Solo—  
In a Monastery Garden, Reginald Foort.  
Orchestral—  
Dance of the Merry Mascots, Orchestre Raymonde.  
Organ Solo—  
In a Chinese Temple Garden, Reginald Foort.  
10.15 p.m.—London—Big Ben, "World Affairs." A talk by H. V. Hodson.  
10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.  
Fox-Trot—  
On a Coconut Island, Me and the Moon, Thankful.  
Swing that Music, Bluff, the Blues.  
Ostrich Walk, No greater love.  
Lost, Waltz—Close to me.  
11 p.m.—Close down.

## BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

### Part-Score Bidding

When there is a part-score, although a player makes an opening bid of more tricks than are needed for game with the part-score, it is not a slam try. In general, all preemptive bids and forcing bids keep their usual meaning even when there is a part-score.

For example, if you have a part-score of 60, and your partner makes an opening bid of four spades, it is not a slam try but a regular shut-out bid, just as though you had no part-score. An opening three bid still is a two-way bid, and an opening two bid, or a jump take-out in a new suit still shows powerful hands and both are forcing bids.

But when there is a part-score, bids which ordinarily are forcing to game become forcing for one round only. Thereafter any bid in a new suit by either partner is forcing again, but rebids in the suit which previously was bid, or in no trump, may be passed.

#### Capitalising a Good Lead

West's opening lead in to-day's hand was pretty much of a lucky "stab," but his subsequent defence, based on that lead, was skill, not luck.

North, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable; North-South 20 part-score.

NORTH  
S.—A J  
H.—Q 8  
D.—K 9 8 3  
C.—A K Q 9 3

WEST EAST  
S.—Q 7 S.—10 9 6 2  
H.—A J 4 3 H.—7 6 2  
D.—Q 7 6 2 D.—A 10 5 4  
C.—10 5 4 C.—8 2

SOUTH  
S.—K 8 5 4 3  
H.—K 10 9 5  
D.—J  
C.—J 7 6

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1 club Pass 1 spade Pass  
1 no-trump Pass 2 hearts Pass  
2 spades Pass 3 spades Pass  
Pass Pass

North should have rebid two no trump, but even had he done so South probably would have played the hand at three spades.

With both of the major suits bid against him, West virtually tossed a coin between the two minors. It was true that North had started with a club bid which, in the minds of many opening leaders, would have dictated a diamond as the only alternative, but this particular West player was one who has a strong aversion to leading from queens (not a bad aversion by the way—it is shared by many players who are acknowledged brilliant opening leaders). On this particular hand, however, West hardly could have foreseen how beautifully his selection of a club would result.

Declarer won with the jack, and led a spade toward dummy, taking the jack finesse. When it held, he cashed the ace, and then had to consider ways and means of re-entering his own hand. Not knowing who had the heart ace, he laid down dummy's queen, but since West could imagine declarer's difficulty he held off this trick. At this point declarer would have been wiser to have led to his singleton jack of diamonds, but he continued with hearts, and his nine lost to West's jack. West promptly threw the dummy back on lead with a club.

Declarer could count, of course, that a third round of clubs would be ruffed, and therefore did what he should have done before. He led a low diamond from the king. East ducked and West won with the queen. A third club followed, and East ruffed. A heart return, won by West's ace, and the lead of West's last heart did the trick. East ruffed with his last trump, and the contract was defeated.

#### TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: Is the European form of contract bridge just the same as the American form?

Answer: Yes. In France, however, both contract and a similar game called plafond are played.

**World Affairs**  
Talk By  
H. V. Hodson

## What's On At the Cinemas

### COMING PICTURES

"White Hunter"—with Warner Baxter and June Lang in a thrilling story of two people amid the menace of savage passions. Coming to the Queen's.

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AT THE QUEEN'S—"When's Your Birthday", with Joe E. Brown and Marian Marsh. Hilarious, with a novel background, astrology.

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AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Lady from Nowhere", with Mary Astor, and Charles Quigley, a new-comer to the screen. Blazing comedy and melodrama in large proportions this picture presents Mary Astor in one of the amusing and entertaining screen plays in which she has appeared.

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AT THE MAJESTIC—"Gold Diggers of 1937", with Dick Powell, Joan Blondell, Victor Moore, Glenda Farrell and Lee Dixon. A happy melange. The signing of a million dollar insurance policy and the medical examination are a sure cure for the blues.

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AT THE ORIENTAL—"Champagne Waltz", with Gladys Swarthout, Fred MacMurray, Jack Oakie and Herman Bing. Gladys Swarthout's excellent singing is a major feature, but a bright film, it includes humour, a touch of pathos and some of the most delightful music heard for a long while. The musical background is provided by Strauss Waltzes.

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AT THE STAR—"Half Angel", with Frances Dee, Brian Donlevy and Charles Butterworth. Hilarious situations and sparkling dialogue vie with exciting episodes, unusual romance and adventures.

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"Mind Your Own Business"—With Charles Ruggles, Alice Brady, Lyle Talbot, Benny Baker and Frankie Darro. The tale of a nature writer who has bees in his bonnet as well as his column and a wife who gets him into a tangle that it takes a general alarm to unravel. Coming to the Queen's.

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"Hearts Divided," — with Marion Davies, Dick Powell, Claude Rains, Charles Ruggles, and Edward Everett Horton. Prince Jerome Bonaparte defies his brother, the Emperor Napoleon, for the love of his Baltimore sweetheart, Betty Patterson. Coming to the Oriental.

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# CONTROL SCHEME IN FORCE AS FROM MIDNIGHT

## On Spanish War Fronts

### WEATHER KEEPS ITS GRIP

Salamanca, To-day. Much artillery and rifle fire was experienced on the Madrid and Sierra de Guadarrama fronts yesterday, says an insurgent communiqué, though the rival armies did not come to grips.

Several minor raids were carried out on the Biscay front, while the Republicans attacked on the Aragon front.

Owing to continued bad weather the expected rebel offensive on Bilbao failed to materialise yesterday.

Several insurgent planes, however, dropped bombs on the besieged city.—Trans-Ocean.

### Franco Proclaims Fascism As Ideal

Gibraltar, To-day. "Fascism will establish a true democracy, in contrast to the so-called democracy of the Republicans, which is nothing more than terrorism," declared General Franco, the Spanish rebel leader, in a fiery broadcast speech yesterday.

"We are building up a new Spanish State," he continued, "built on the foundation of the Catholic religion and a strong army."—Trans-Ocean.

### ABD-EL-KADIR IN SPAIN

Salamanca, To-day. The Grand Vizier of Spanish Morocco, Abd-el-Kadir, who is on a tour of Spain, held a lengthy conference with General Franco yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

### MONSTER PARADE IN BERLIN

#### Hitler's Birthday Celebrations

Berlin, To-day. All Germany listened in to a broadcast eulogy of Herr Hitler on the occasion of this birthday by the Minister of Propaganda, Dr. Joseph Goebbels.

Thousands are flocking into the Wilhelmstrasse to witness the monster military parade and the presentation of new regimental standards.—Trans-Ocean.

### UNUSUAL PRESENT

Berlin, To-day. Herr Hitler has received an unusual form of birthday present in the shape of 300 gramophone records.

The discs are a record of all the different German dialects.—Trans-Ocean.

Cakes were distributed for the 800th time, at Biddenden, Kent, on Easter Monday, to commemorate the "Biddenden Maids," who were joined at the hips and shoulders.

### Charges Against Mr. Henry Ford

Washington, To-day. Charges of discrimination and intimidation have been filed against Mr. Henry Ford by the Detroit office of the National Labour Relations Board, according to an announcement by Mr. Homer Martin, the Labour leader.—Reuter.

### Young Earls As Pages

#### To Hold King's Train At Coronation

London, To-day. Among ten pages who have been appointed to hold the King's train at the Coronation ceremony will be Earl Kitchener, Earl Jellicoe, Earl Haig and Viscount Lascelles.

Ladies appointed to attend the Queen include Lady Elizabeth Percy, Lady Paget, Lady Manners and Lady Diana Lake.

The standards of the Dominions will be carried by their High Commissioners in London, while the standard of the Indian Empire will be carried by Sir Kahn Noon.

Labour leaders have been advised by Major Attlee to wear morning dress or a dark suit in lieu of Court dress when attending the Coronation ceremonies.—Reuter.

### DUKE & DUCHESS OF GLOUCESTER

#### Move Into York House

London, To-day. The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester moved into their new home at York House, St. James' Palace, yesterday.

Their Royal Highnesses have been staying recently at Buckingham Palace in order that the Duchess could supervise the redecoration of York House.

She chose a delicate shade of ice blue for the principal rooms.—Reuter.

### TIPPING AGAIN TO BE ABOLISHED!

Paris, To-day. Touring will become more of a pleasure if a measure now reported to be under consideration is adopted.

It is for the abolition of tips, long advocated by restaurant proprietors and tourists alike.—Trans-Ocean.

### FASCIST REDUCED TO RANKS

Vienna, To-day. Fascist sympathies have cost Major Eduard Paulus, of Salzburg, his rank.

He was yesterday reduced to the ranks for having forbidden his family to associate with the activities of the Patriotic Front and for encouraging his children to belong to the illegal Fascist organisation.—Trans-Ocean.

## BRITISH PATROLS ON SPANISH COAST

London, To-day.

The coast of Spain, as from midnight last night, is under the patrol of the navies of Great Britain, France, Italy and Germany to prevent the landing of war materials and volunteers.

THIS IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NON-INTERVENTION SCHEME, ON WHICH 27 NATIONS AGREED TWO MONTHS AGO.

HUNDREDS OF OBSERVERS ARE STATIONED ON THE LAND FRONTIERS TO SIMILARLY PREVENT BREACHES OF THE AGREEMENT.

PATROL OF THE NORTH COAST FROM THE FRENCH FRONTIER TO CAPE BUSTO AND THE SOUTH COAST FROM THE PORTUGUESE FRONTIER TO CAPE DEGATA IS ENTRUSTED TO THE BRITISH NAVY, WHICH WILL ALSO WATCH THE CANARY ISLANDS.

Patrol of the North coast will be carried out by a flotilla leader and four destroyers.

Units of the Mediterranean Fleet based on Gibraltar are responsible for Britain's share of the southern patrol.

The remaining portions of the coast will be covered by French, German and Italian vessels.

### SHIP EXAMINATIONS

All vessels entering Spanish territorial waters will have to first call at a specified port and take on one of the non-intervention committee observers, who will have the right to examine the cargo and the ship's papers.

Warships have the right to stop and examine the papers of any ships from a country participating in the non-intervention agreement which enter Spanish waters.—Reuter.

### DUTCH PROTECTION

Amsterdam, To-day. The Netherlands warship "Hertog-Hendrik," which is at present being overhauled at the naval yard, will leave on April 26 for the Straits of Gibraltar to protect Dutch shipping.—Trans-Ocean.

### ITALIAN SQUADRON

Rome, To-day. The Italian fleet which began patrol duties in the zone allotted to Italy last night, consists of eight units—four scouting craft, two torpedo-boats and two motor launches.

The fleet will be in command of Admiral Marenco.—Trans-Ocean.

### YUGO-SLAVIA AND TURKEY

#### Close Alliance And Friendship

Belgrade, To-day. The Turkish Premier, General Ismet Inonu, and the Foreign Minister, Dr. Rushti Aras, arrived here yesterday evening following a tour of Bosnia and Dalmatia.

Before proceeding to Sofia, General Inonu told newspapermen that Turk-Yugo-Slav friendship was close and lasting.

The semi-official journal says that the visit of the Turkish statesmen bears witness to the close alliance between the two countries and their friendly co-operation.—Trans-Ocean.

## MEXICO ON AID TO SPAIN

### Justified Under Rules Of League

Geneva, To-day.

Mexico feels herself bound to come to the assistance of the Spanish Government in the civil war.

This is the tenor of an explanation given to the press yesterday by the Mexican delegate to the League of Nations, who elaborated the Mexican Note to the League Secretariat on March 29, 1928, which defined the attitude of the American countries to civil wars.

Mexico based her policy, he declared, on Article X of the League Covenant, which declares that the inviolability of territories be respected, and since Spain's inviolability and independence were menaced, Mexico feels obliged to support Madrid.

According to Mexico's Note, he continued, she could ship ammunition to the Government but not to the rebels.

As long as the rebels were not recognised as belligerents, there could be no question, according to the League constitution, of assistance except to the recognised government.

The Mexican delegate finally criticised the non-intervention plan as violating Article X and as constituting indirect but effective assistance to the rebels.—Trans-Ocean.

## ITALIAN AIR ARM IN ABYSSINIA

### Appointment Of New Commander

Rome, To-day. A new Italian commander-in-chief of the air force in Abyssinia has been appointed and has already left for his new post.

He is General Tedeschini-Lalli, who succeeds General Liotta, who had a leg amputated as a result of the attempt on the life of the Viceroy a few months ago.

General Lalli left Naples for Addis Ababa yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

# SURRENDER TO BLOCKADE

## Flood Of Critical Questions In House Of Commons

### Major Attlee To Set Budget Day Precedent

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, the President of the Board of Trade and the First Lord of the Admiralty were all questioned in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon on the situation arising from the insurgent effort to blockade the Basque Ports.

SEVERAL QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER ADDRESS ED TO THE FOREIGN SECRETARY WHICH INVOLVED NAVAL DETAILS, WERE ANSWERED BY THE FIRST LORD AND AT THE END OF SIR SAMUEL HOARE'S REPLIES TO THE SUBSEQUENT SUPPLEMENTARIES, THE OPPOSITION LEADER EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION AND GAVE NOTICE THAT HE WOULD RAISE THE SUBJECT ON THE ADJOURNMENT TO-MORROW.

THE MOVING OF THE ADJOURNMENT ON ANY OTHER QUESTION ON THE DAY OF THE BUDGET IS MOST UNUSUAL PROCEDURE.

Asked in a private notice for a statement of the circumstances in which the captain of the British steamship, Marie Llewellyn, was desired by the Commander of the destroyer, Brazen, to return to the port of Saint Jean de Luz on the night of April 15, Sir Samuel Hoare replied that he was not yet in a position to furnish the required information but enquiries were being made.

#### NOTHING TO ADD

When in answer to a question, the Foreign Secretary said he had nothing to add to the statement made in the debate last Wednesday on the situation at Bilbao and the Government's policy, one member asked if he was aware that ship-owners and insurance companies were left in a difficult situation by the Government's attitude, and another member countered this question by asking if it was not a fact that in the view of the shipping industry, the Government were dealing very successfully with a difficult situation.

#### FRANCO WARNING

In another reply, Mr. Eden said that the Military Governor of Irún, acting on instructions from General Franco, had informed Sir Henry Chilton on the evening of April 9, that the entrance into Bilbao of four British ships known to be lying in Saint Jean de Luz would be resisted by insurgent warships.

This information was received in London on the morning of April 10, but, Mr. Eden added, in reply to a supplementary question that Franco's blockade warning had nothing to do with the decision taken by the Government and he chided the Liberal leader, Sir Archibald Sinclair, for imagining that the Government's action was taken on Franco's note.

#### FRENCH VIEWS

He also informed the House that the French Government had been kept fully informed of the British attitude and he had no reason to

suppose that on broad lines of policy the French Government disagreed.

#### EFFECTIVE BLOCKADE

The most important of the statements made in the First Lord's replies, was that the reports received from the Vice-Admiral commanding the battle cruiser squadron in H. M. S. Hood, read together with reports received from other authorities concerned had confirmed the view that the Spanish Insurgent Authorities had established an effective de facto blockade.

To a member who enquired how the blockade was being made effective, he reported "by insurgent ships and by mines."

Sir Samuel Hoare also said that up to about a month ago, the reports showed that the Spanish authorities had attempted to maintain a channel through the minefields into Bilbao but he was unable to say whether they had, in fact, found it possible to continue this operation in the face of the superior Insurgent forces.

#### FLEET INSTRUCTIONS

In another reply, Sir Samuel Hoare recalled that instructions to His Majesty's ships have, since the beginning of the civil war in Spain, been to the effect that if it came to the knowledge of a British man-of-war that a British merchant ship was being interfered with on the high seas by a Spanish warship, British ships were to be afforded protection, but no new instructions had been issued since it was not proposed that British merchant ships should be convoyed up to the limits of Spanish territorial waters.

#### CLEARANCE PERMITTED

The President of the Board of Trade in a reply, said that four British vessels had left Bilbao in the past week and the First Lord of the Admiralty who confirmed the clearing of two British ships from that port on the 13th and 14th, added that so far as he was aware no attempt was being made by the insurgents to prevent the departure of ships from Bilbao.—British Wireless.

#### Officer's Death Riddle

Jerusalem, To-day.  
The body of General Karpinsky, a former officer in the Imperial Russian Army, was found in the sea by fishermen yesterday.

General Karpinsky disappeared from Beirut two months ago and foul play is suspected, though the body was so decomposed that it is impossible to tell whether it was a case of murder or suicide. — Trans-Ocean.

#### NAZI FLYING CORPS

Old Organisation In New Form

Berlin, To-day.  
Germany's civil flying organisation, the Air Sport Organisation, has been dissolved.

It will reappear in the guise of the Nazi Flying Corps, and will be under the direct control of the German Air Ministry.

The new aviation body will be commanded by General-Major Christiansen, the well-known wartime flying "ace." — Trans-Ocean.

#### MR. PAUL McNUTT

Arriving In Shanghai To-morrow

Shanghai, To-day.  
Arriving here to-morrow morning on the "President Hoover" en route to Manila is Mr. Paul Vories McNutt, the new American High Commissioner in the Philippines.

Mr. McNutt, who is accompanied by his wife and daughter, Louise, will be met by a host of American officials, headed by the Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson.—Reuter.

#### JAPANESE AMBASSADOR

Shanghai, To-day.  
The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Kawagoe, who is leaving for Tokyo on May 2 to discuss Sino-Japanese relations, took farewell of the Foreign Minister, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, yesterday.—Reuter.

#### CHURCH IN SOVIET

Youth Leader Calls For Campaign

Moscow, To-day.  
A strong proclamation calling on the youth of Russia to fight against the growing influence of the Church in the Soviet was made in a proclamation by the Soviet youth leader yesterday.

The proclamation draws attention to the gradual re-opening of churches which have been closed since the Revolution.

"We must deprive the clergy of the last remaining sheep in their flock," he declared.—Trans-Ocean.

#### SHANGHAI STRIKE UNSETTLED

Shanghai, To-day.  
The strike of tramway employees, which started on Sunday, entered on its third day to-day without any signs of settlement.—Reuter.

#### SAFETY

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# TRIPE COOKING CAN BE AN ART IN ITSELF

INTERNATIONAL cookery makes much of tripe. It has won the laurels of culinary fame for places as remote in spirit and mileage as Caen and Athens.

Tripe and onions is one of the dishes that know no class distinctions. Epicures eat it from choice, the masses because it is economical and because they like it. Treat such perennial food with proper honour.

From the moment tripe goes into the pot with the salt, the onions, milk and a few cloves and pepper-corns, it wants careful watching and long cooking. It should be creamy, tender, and well-flavoured. Cut one lb. of tripe into smallish pieces. Put into cold water and bring to the boil. Strain at once and put it in a saucepan or casserole with about a pint of milk and water, and a pound of Spanish onions, cut up.

Some people like more onions than this. Simmer slowly for three hours and look at it often to see that it is not curdling or sticking to the bottom of the pan. Twenty minutes before it is ready thicken with a little flour in the ordinary way, boil up, and stir in a good piece of butter.

**With Caper Sauce.**  
TAKE 1lb. tripe and cut into small pieces. Cover well with water and simmer gently for two hours.

Melt 1oz. butter in a saucepan and stir in a heaped tablespoonful flour. When thoroughly absorbed add a well-beaten egg and then gradually one pint of milk. Continue to stir till sauce thickens. Season with salt and pepper.

Strain tripe, add to sauce, and reheat. Just before serving add a

small bottle of capers. Serve very hot.

#### Savoury Supper Dish.

**ORDER** 1lb. tripe and 1/2lb. sausages. Wanted: There large onions, 3 teaspoonfuls of flour, butter, milk for onion sauce.

Cut up onions and boil in salted water for 10 minutes.

Wash tripe. Dry thoroughly. Flour, season, and cut into strips. Halve sausages and roll in strips of tripe; secure with cocktail sticks. Put in pan with onions and simmer for three-quarters of an hour, when ingredients should be tender.

Arrange tripe on end in dish. Put under hot grill. Lightly brown ends of sausages. Pour onion sauce round and serve piping hot with crisp toast. The broth is delicious.

#### As In The Shetlands

**B**OIL tripe in shallow pan with onions (or without if preferred) and a teaspoonful of mixed herbs, until tender.

Drain, and place in squares on toast, each piece of tripe being the same size as the toast. Into the liquor shred a large piece of cheese, and thicken with cornflour.

Pour over each piece of toast, sprinkle with parsley and serve, piping hot.

#### Tripe Whitebait

**W**ASH the tripe thoroughly in two or three waters till it is quite sweet, then wash in weak salt water. Cut the tripe into pieces the size of good whitebait. Lay each piece apart on a cloth to dry. Then shake them gently on to another dry cloth and dust them carefully.

Strain tripe, add to sauce, and reheat. Just before serving add a

fully all over with very fine flour.

Heat deep fat till it smokes. Place the pieces of tripe, separately in a frying basket and plunge them into the fat to cook for about one or two minutes. Turn them on to a sieve and continue till all the pieces are cooked.

Reheat the fat till smoke rises. All the pieces are now put together and reheated in the frying basket for a moment. This crisps and browns them.

Drain well first by shaking the basket over the fat, and then tossing them gently on paper. Sprinkle with salt and cayenne or Nepal pepper, and serve with thin brown bread and butter and lemon.

#### Cold Luncheon Or Supper Dish

**R**EQUIRED: About 1 lb. plain tripe, 3 or 4 leeks, 2 or 3 heads of young celery, 1oz. gelatine, pepper, salt, mace, and 1 small onion (grated).

Wash tripe thoroughly, simmer gently in just enough water to cover it for two hours, take out and cut into small, neat pieces. Put tripe back into the liquor, and in the pan dissolve 1/2oz. of the gelatine. Stand aside to cool a little.

Melt remaining 1/2oz. of gelatine in a gill of water and boil. Have the leeks and celery already prepared by cleaning, trimming, and leaving whole all that is edible, then gently steaming both till sufficiently tender.

Take a cake mould and pour into it the melted gelatine, turning the mould well to cover it all over. Put in alternately, still warm, the leeks and celery heads, with the celery hearts and leek bulbs to the middle. Fill in the centre with the tripe, and cover the top with any celery or leeks left over.

Set aside to cool and set, leaving all night if possible. Turn on to a dish and serve with potato or tomato salad.

This is a pretty dish which cuts very firm.

#### Mayonnaise Patties

**P**ULL out puff pastry to 1/8in. thickness. Cut out about 16

rounds with crinkled cutter, and place on a baking-tin. Now cut out a similar number and remove the centres with a smaller cutter. Wet these and fasten to pastry rounds on tin. Weigh down the centres with a small piece of bread crust, and bake in hot oven.

When done fill the cases with the following mixture. Take 1lb. tripe, wash and cut into 1/2in. squares. Place in saucepan with a pint of water and 2 large onions cut into small pieces. Boil for half an hour. Drain away the water, turn contents into a basin.

Season to taste and bind together with half pint mayonnaise sauce. Fill the patty cases. Decorate the top of each with a sprig of fresh parsley. Serve hot or cold. These patties are very good for evening bridge, parties or for children's parties.

#### In Individual Dishes

**T**HIS simple method of cooking tripe appeals to those who do not care for its usual accompaniment of onions.

Cut the tripe into small pieces and place in the top of a double boiler with not more than two tablespoonfuls of water. Cook till tender. Serve very hot in individual fireproof dishes, with the following piquant sauce:

For each person allow two tablespoonfuls of castor sugar, the juice of half a lemon, 1/2 teaspoonful of made mustard, and a dash of vinegar. Mix well.

#### Onions Cooked Whole

**R**EQUIRED: 1lb. of tripe, 5 onions of even size.

Peel the onions and scoop out a little of the centre. Roll little knobs of butter in pepper and salt, insert in centre of onion. Place in fireproof dish, adding two tablespoonfuls of water, and steam slowly in own juice for three hours.

Slice tripe into 5 pieces, stew very gently for one hour in half pint of milk, adding the centres of onions, finely chopped.

When the tripe is cooked, make a sauce with the liquid, adding juice from onions, and thickening carefully and smoothly.

Serve by placing tripe in centre of dish, surrounded by the onions, on fried croutons of bread. Screen all with the sauce.

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# MR. LANSBURY AND HITLER

## FUEHRER GIVES ASSURANCE TO PEACE-MAKER

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

GERMANY IS FULLY READY TO PARTICIPATE IN A CONFERENCE FOR INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION.

This is the main point in a statement issued after a lengthy conference yesterday between Herr Hitler and Mr. George Lansbury, the British Labour leader, who came to Berlin to have a "peace talk."

The statement, agreed to by both the Fuehrer and Mr. Lansbury, declares:

"GERMANY IS WILLING TO ATTEND A CONFERENCE AND PARTICIPATE IN A UNITED EFFORT FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD, IF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT OR THE HEAD OF ANOTHER GREAT COUNTRY WILL TAKE THE LEAD IN CALLING SUCH A CONFERENCE."

Mr. Lansbury stated after the interview that the "object of the discussion was to secure Herr Hitler's support for a new world conference, specifically to discuss removal of the causes of war."

"I told the Chancellor of my discussions with M. Leon Blum (the French Premier), M. Paul van Zeeland (the Belgian Premier) and the Scandinavian Prime Ministers.

"I told him none of them rejected the proposition and all were very worried about the armaments race, and that I was confident they would respond."

### SOVIET PARTICIPATION

"What I wanted from Herr Hitler I got from him, namely, that Germany is willing with a good heart to enter into such a conference."

Mr. Lansbury said the question of participation of the Soviet in such a conference was not raised.

He also said he had asked President Roosevelt to summon a conference and believed he might do so if he could expect a response from the other great Powers.

The conference would deal with the armaments race, international control of undeveloped territories, raw materials and organisation of markets.

It should also be "willing to assist the Spanish nation to settle themselves without outside interference from any quarter, how they wish to be governed."

### NO BERLIN COMMENT

Official circles in Berlin have no comment to make at present on Mr. Lansbury's talk with Herr Hitler.

The communiqué which the Fuehrer authorised Mr. Lansbury to give to the foreign press, has not yet been issued here, and it seems to be generally regarded as nothing more than a logical statement of the standpoint which Herr Hitler has always taken up, namely, that Germany is ready to further the cause of international peace and economic co-operation, provid-

## IRAQI CONSUL ARRESTED

Diverted Arms To Spain

Jerusalem, To-day.

Mouza Affar, a former Iraqi consul at Beirut, has been arrested in Beirut at the request of the Iraqi Government on a charge of arms smuggling.

Affar, who until recently was a member of the Iraqi Legation at Paris, is said to have used armament orders placed by Iraq in France for delivering arms to Spain.

It is reported that he made the sum of £50,000 out of the illegal deal.—Trans-Ocean.

## ITALY PLANS GIANT PLANE

Rome-Addis Ababa In 12 Hours

Milan, To-day.

Italy is the latest country to go in for the "giant" aeroplane. She is building a four-engined monster which will accommodate 50 passengers and will have a load of 35 tons.

The huge plane will be put on the Rome-Addis Ababa run, a distance of 4,000 kilometres, which it will cover in twelve hours.—Trans-Ocean.



Mr. Lansbury.

## Sugar Conference Problems

London, To-day.

Yesterday's meeting between the heads of delegations and the negotiating committee of the International Sugar Conference received the committee's report without comment and adjourned till 8.30 this evening.

Reuter learns that the report explains the position as it emerged from last week's discussions.

It is believed that the delegations will be called on to say whether they adhere to their claims on the free market or are prepared to make sacrifices.

Present claims are understood to exceed the total of 3,176,000 tons by at least 15 per cent.

While the original proposals favoured an agreement for five years, it is now considered possible that the agreement will be of shorter duration.

Certain delegations are presumably referring to their Governments for instructions but it is taken for granted that the instructions will be received within three days, enabling the Conference to decide before the end of the week whether agreement is possible.—Reuter.

### OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

A communiqué issued by the International Sugar Conference states that the committee appointed to examine general questions held further meetings to-day, the discussion turning chiefly upon protectionist or fiscal measures in connection with sugar.

Negotiations were held with the heads of delegations at which the President, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, informed them of the progress of negotiations. He told them what had so far been accomplished towards adapting the various demands for export quotas to the total needs of the free market and pointed out the further concessions which would have to be made in order to reach an equitable agreement compatible with the common good.

The heads of delegations were invited to attend a further meeting of the negotiation committee tomorrow evening.—British Wireless.

## IRAQ POLITICAL TENSION

### MINISTER UNABLE TO VISIT LONDON

Cairo, To-day.

Iraq will not send a delegation to the Coronation of King George, say press reports from Baghdad, owing to internal political tension.

The delegation had already been announced and was to have been headed by the Minister of Interior.

Now the visit has been cancelled and Iraq will be represented by the Iraq Minister in London.—Trans-Ocean.

## KING FAROUK IN LONDON

London, To-day.

King Farouk of Egypt arrived in London yesterday and was met at the station by practically the whole Egyptian colony and representatives of the British Government.—Reuter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Noronha, leaving on a honeymoon tour, were passengers in the President Coolidge which left for San Francisco via ports this morning.



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cable to foreigners, is simply, as in the case with the Mixed Courts Code, an adaptation of the French Code—the "Code Napoleon"; in fact many jurists believe it is better than the Mixed Courts Code.

As such it is felt that it should be acceptable to the majority of the Powers, many of whom have codes of that same origin. As for those of Anglo-Saxon jurisprudence, Britain has already viewed the coming change with sympathy, and no opposition will come from this source, especially as Egypt is entirely willing to provide a reasonably long transitional period for introducing the reforms.

There remains, of course, a class of foreigner in Egypt to whom the thought of complete suppression of the Consular Courts is profoundly disturbing. Too frequently have those courts been so lenient in the past that certain people appear to look at them as refuges from justice. Obviously, this is no argument for their retention.

In China, somewhat similar considerations hold good. The difference lies chiefly in foreign anxieties, not concerning the soundness of laws drafted, but in the manner of working them. Many laws are on paper and have progressed no further. Judicial decisions on others are, sometimes, at least to outward appearance, influenced by political motives. It is a clear principle of sound jurisprudence that the judiciary shall be divorced from politics and China can be assured that much of present-day reluctance to abandon extraterritoriality would disappear automatically with the establishment of judicial independence. As with Egypt, the case is one for agreement upon a transitional period sufficiently long to impart confidence on the one hand and opportunity to develop a satisfactorily organised machine on the other.

## Standards in Book-Reading

Sir Richard Paget's suggestion to the Parents' National Education Union that "book-reading should begin at twelve years old" would have seemed strange doctrine to any age but this, which is pretty well used to seeing older ideas firmly and boldly left standing on their presumably foolish heads. In the past if a child showed any aptitude for scholarship, and the family resources permitted that aptitude to be followed, book-reading began just as soon as it could be acquired. The classical instance in the last century was John Stuart Mill, who was learning Greek at the age of three and between the ages of eight and thirteen had acquired an acquaintance with books which ranged from the whole of Herodotus to Gibbon and thirty volumes of the "Annual Register."

The young Mill was, of course, exceptional and he had an exceptional parent. But not to begin book-reading until twelve is surely flying to the other extreme, and would cut many a normally intelligent child off from the pleasures of choosing for himself the world that he would like to read. The fact that a child begins to read books before twelve looks like a sufficiently convincing proof that he is ready to read them.

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## China's Extraterritorial Demand

With the example of Egypt before him, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, who is credited with being the inspiration behind the new agitation for the abolition of the system of extraterritoriality in China, will not easily be turned aside from his bid for swift distinction at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. Both in Shanghai and Canton, but particularly in Shanghai where the problem is of paramount importance, an organised campaign is being pursued and an early communication from the Waichiaopu to the Powers is a safe prediction. And it will not lose in weight coming from Dr. Wang Chung-hui, who is himself a jurist of international reputation.

Whether the time has been well chosen depends upon the point of view. There are special reasons why China's aspirations should be sympathetically received just now; it will be difficult to deny the claims of China to consideration when Egypt, whose independence is of the shortest duration, is accorded a sympathetic hearing. At the same time, the demands follow closely upon the expression of serious grievance by foreigners who in litigation with Chinese in the Special District Courts in Shanghai and in the provincial High Courts have found obstructive methods countenanced, a score of loopholes by which they are deprived of legal rights, and no protection against men of straw who are enabled to carry on a losing legal battle from court to high court without any security for costs.

Conditions in Egypt and China, in fact, are far from comparable. In Egypt, a commission worked for several months preparing the Draft Codes, and Nahas Pasha's determination to make it acceptable to foreigners was indicated by the fact that he obtained the personal advice of Mr. W. E. Beckett, of the British Foreign Office, the official who was largely responsible for the actual drafting of the treaty.

That the Capitulations will be abolished there is no doubt. Egypt has progressed out of recognition from the days of its vassalage to Turkey some 400 years ago when they were constituted. Furthermore, the so-called Native Code, which in due course will, with modifications now contemplated, supersede that of the Mixed Courts now appli-

# The story of the great LITTLE SISTERS

## IN THE BEGINNING

**W**HISPERING crowds collect on the pavements of Bruton-street. Eyes gaze at the discreet door of a stately home — number seventeen.

"Yes, my dear, to-night, they think."

"I remember the Duchess coming out of that door on her wedding day. Three years ago — doesn't time fly? A lovely bride. I always said she was the prettiest ever."

Big cars purr to a standstill outside the house. A little man with a puckered face alights and runs up the steps.

The Home Secretary. "It's Jix, Sir William Joynson-Hicks. Yes, he always has to be present when . . ."

The news spreads from the house with the lighted windows to the waiting crowd.

A daughter is born to the Duchess of York.

A lovely daughter.

And the date is April 23, 1926.

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## THE FIRST YEAR

"But what a *good* baby." They all make the same comment.

To the cradleside comes Queen Mary. As she looks down upon the sleeping child her face is filled with the mellow sweetness of memory.

"I do wish," says the Queen with a smile, "you were more like your little mother."

Three months pass. The child is taken to Glamis. In grim, grey, ghostly Glamis Castle a baby smiles and crows.

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## THE SECOND YEAR

Around the nursery crawls little Elizabeth Alexandra Mary. With a rather stylish crawl. She sits upright, and, using one leg as an "oar," pushes herself around the room.

Mummy and Daddy are away in Australia. But there is always Grandmother, with her welcoming cry of "Bambino!"

Suddenly Mummy is back. Elizabeth greets her with her first word.

"Mummy! Mummy!"

And she is learning to walk. "A dangerous business," writes the Duchess to a friend.

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## THE THIRD YEAR

Sad faces all around the baby. Her prattle strikes across the hushed voices.

Grandpa is ill. Grandpa is very ill.

And now Grandpa is well again. His eyes twinkle as he listens to her chatter. The doctors know that here is physic more potent than any they have devised.

Elizabeth sits on the knee of George V.

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The Duke and Duchess of York buy a large brown toy Shetland pony and take it back to Elizabeth.

"I want Elizabeth to be a good horsewoman when she grows up."



says the Duke, "and she will soon be able to start riding lessons in play at any rate."

"Mum," says Margaret Rose — "Yes, the other day I saw one of you leading a flock geese!"

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## THE FOURTH YEAR

Dialogue in the nursery.

"Now, you must learn to curtsey when you meet your grandparents. They are King and Queen."

"I won't curtsey!"

Later the King enters the room. Elizabeth makes a low curtsey — with her back to George V.

"There, Danpa, I have curtseyed."

The King smiles and gathers her up in his arms.

## THE FIFTH YEAR

Elizabeth walks in the sunshine at the back of Buckingham Palace.

"Ooh, yes — and singing lessons all day.

## The whole world worships them to-day

There is a click of heels, a flash of steel as a sentry presents arms.

The little girl looks at the soldier and laughs. She passes him, turns back and passes again.

Once more the sentry stands rigidly presenting arms.

Again and again this happens, until the soldier's face is as scarlet as his tunic.

A horrified officer appears, summons Elizabeth's nurse. The child is taken away from the exhausted sentry.

And later — a great event. For at Glamis is born a baby sister, Princess Margaret Rose.

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## THE SIXTH YEAR

Tiny hands are busy with needle and thread. Elizabeth has learned to sew, and is making a dress for her 3ft. doll, Julie.

The Princess sneezes. She has a cold.

"Off to bed."

"Then Julie has a cold, too."

So to bed Julie must go as well.

Baby Margaret Rose stares wonderingly at this strange new world.

## THE SEVENTH YEAR

Soliloquy by the Princess.

"Oh, this growing-up isn't all fun. Now they're putting a whole extra hour on lessons in the morning. AND in the afternoon. It wouldn't be so bad if I only had to learn French from that gramophone thing. Or dancing.

"Ooh, yes — and singing lessons all day.

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## THE EIGHTH YEAR

Elizabeth's first Royal Garden Party. She is nervous, but tries to assume Grandmother's air as she steps from a car. She is wearing a frilly pink muslin dress. Then — "Whooooooosh."

The wind plucks the hat from her golden head. She looks after it sadly. Then consoles herself with a slice of bread-and-butter.

Christmas comes. Two little figures in cherry-red, Elizabeth and Margaret Rose, are with their mother at the Albert Hall. Their clear voices are lost in a rush of sound:

"Oh come, all ye faithful,  
Joyful and triumphant."

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Elizabeth looks gravely at Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

"I often see your picture in the papers."

Ramsay smiles.

## THE NINTH YEAR

Elizabeth gets out of bed at Royal Lodge, Windsor Park.

The blinds are drawn. Somewhere a bell is tolling, tolling, tolling.

They tell her why everyone has been so sad, so anxious.

Grandfather is dead.

Grandfather, who had laughed and joked at Sandringham, Balmoral, Windsor. Grandfather, who, in his busiest moments, always had a smile and a gentle word for the two sisters.

The bells toll on.

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## THE TENTH YEAR

In the garden of their Piccadilly home, Elizabeth and Margaret Rose are playing.

Elizabeth is riding her bicycle along the drive.

Margaret Rose steps on the path and holds up one chubby hand.

And Margaret solemnly trots across the path.

"Oh, yes, that's our newest game — pedestrians' crossings."

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Princess Elizabeth speaks. "I want to buy that tin of toffee." "Certainly, your Royal Highness." Princess Margaret Rose speaks.

"I want that woolly duck."

Elizabeth takes her own money from her own handbag, and, at a Scottish sale of work, gravely pays for both.

And, hand in hand, the little Princesses pass the decorated stalls.

Growing up . . . growing to sweet and gracious girlhood.

## Street Scene in Old Madrid



Not so long ago this scene would have brought big black headlines in the newspapers of Madrid, shell-torn capital of Spain. Today such scenes create only ordinary excitement. The child is being taken from a bomb crater after a rebel airman dropped his death-dealing load in the city's street.

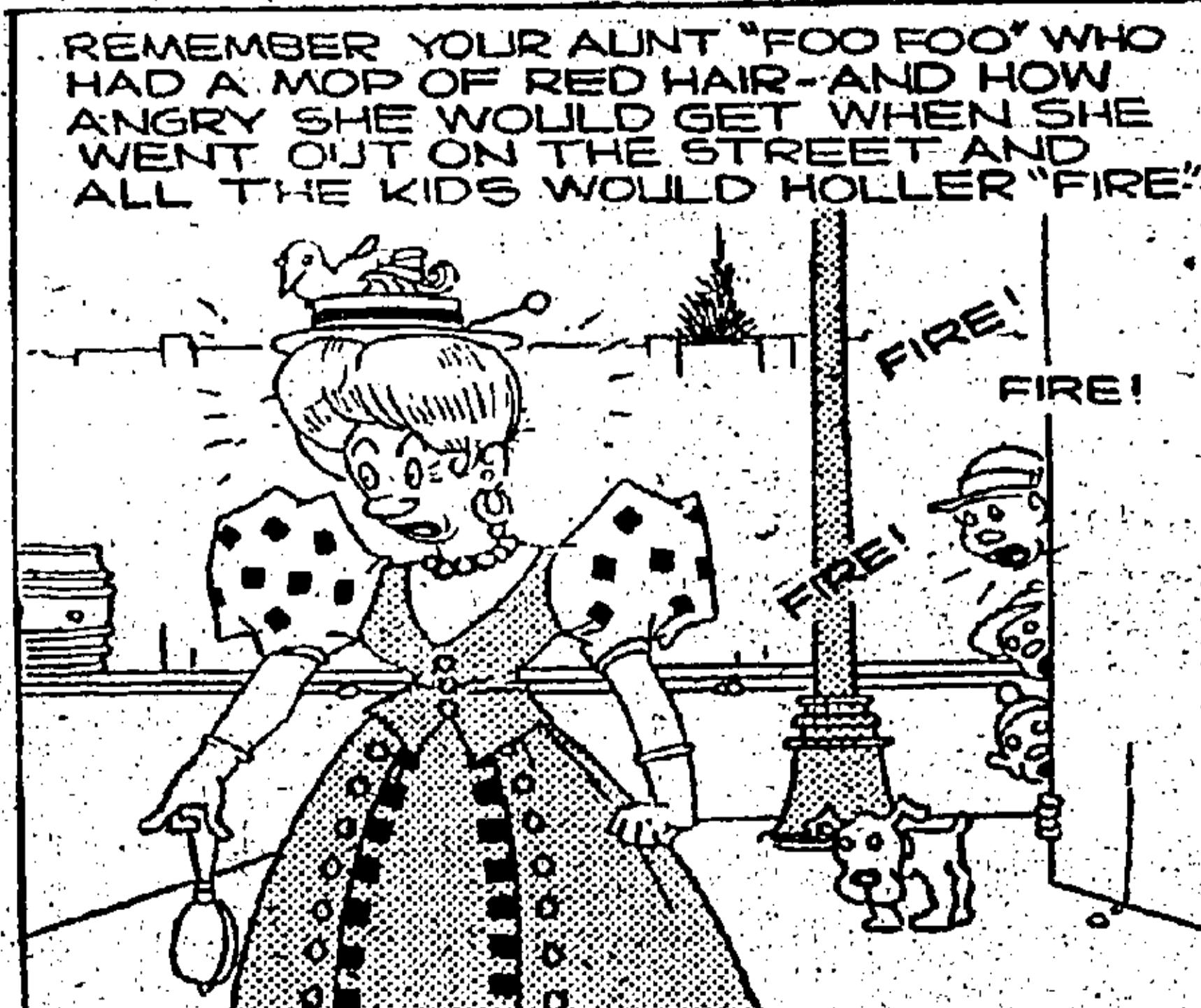


Claudette Colbert and Bennie Bartlett in a scene from "Maid of Salem," which comes to the Queen's and Alhambra at the end of this week. Playing opposite Miss Colbert is the popular Fred McMurray.

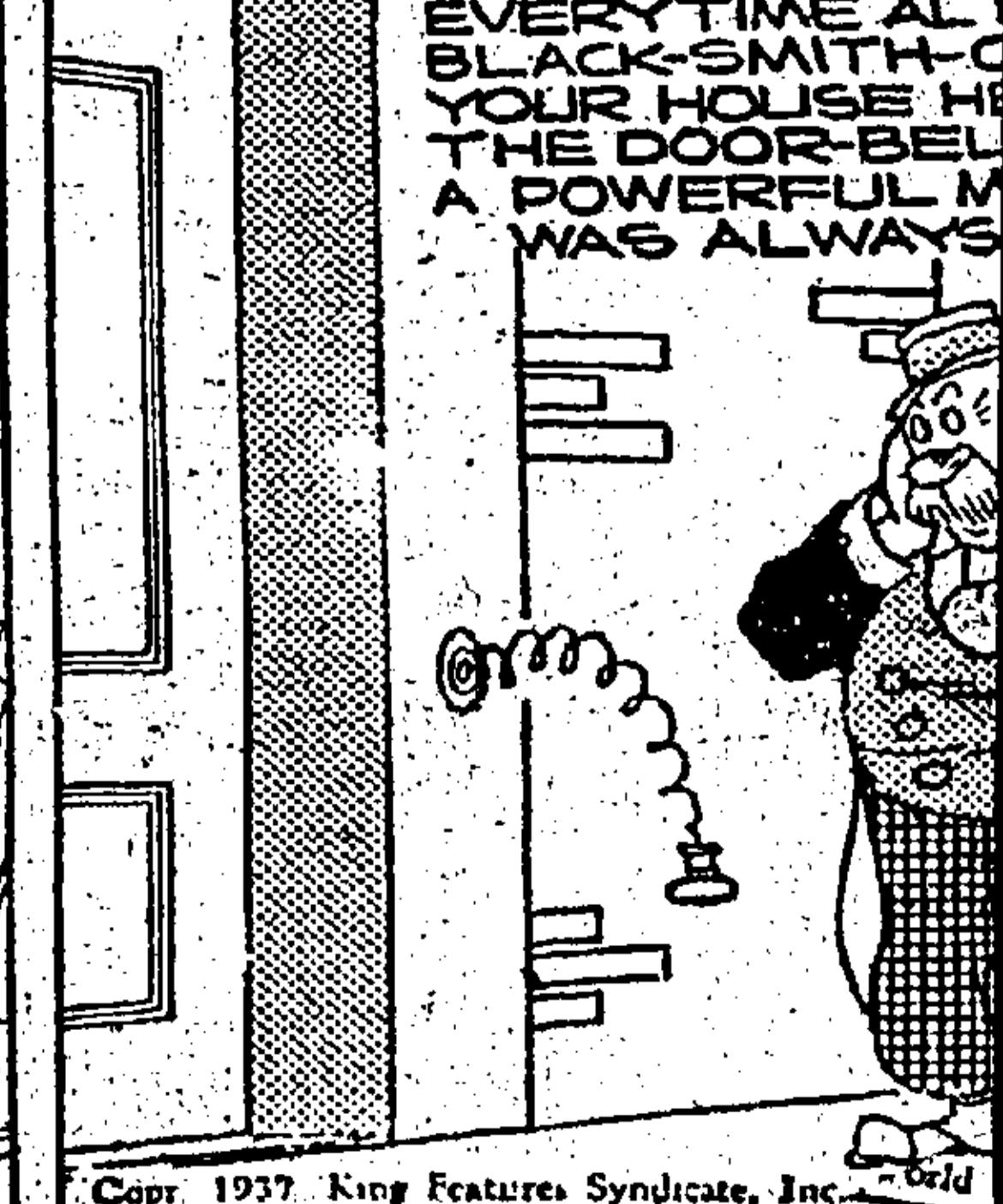
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WERE THE LATEST - SOME WERE  
TWENTY YEARS LATE -



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# DARTMOOR DIS

## CONDEMNATION OF REPORTS BY HOME SECRETARY

London, To-day.

The House of Commons at question-time received with sympathetic cheers, the condemnation by the Home Secretary (Sir John Simon) of the sensational and unfounded reports of disturbances in Dartmoor and in the outer prison which had, in some cases, been circularized after an official denial had been issued.

### SOUTH WALES STRIKE

#### Walk-out Averted At Last Minute

London, To-day.

The threatened strike of 7,000 miners in a South Wales colliery, scheduled for to-day, has been averted.

The proposed strike was a protest against employment of 800 non-Union members.

It was announced yesterday morning that the 800 men, with the exception of four, had joined the Union, and by afternoon the remaining workers had also entered the Union.

Two thousand men striking at

Sir John Simon gave a detailed account of minor breaches of discipline which actually occurred earlier this month at Dartmoor in connection with food, and stated categorically that there was no violence of any kind and no truth whatever in the suggestion that it had been found necessary to reinforce the staff or to take special measures to preserve discipline.

As to Wandsworth Prison, about which a sensational and misleading statement was put into circulation on Saturday, there was no unrest there.

Unfounded reports of this kind, Sir John Simon declared, alarmed the prisoners' relatives, caused anxiety in the country and were of definite public mischief.—British Wireless.

another colliery since Wednesday decided to return to work yesterday morning.—Reuters.

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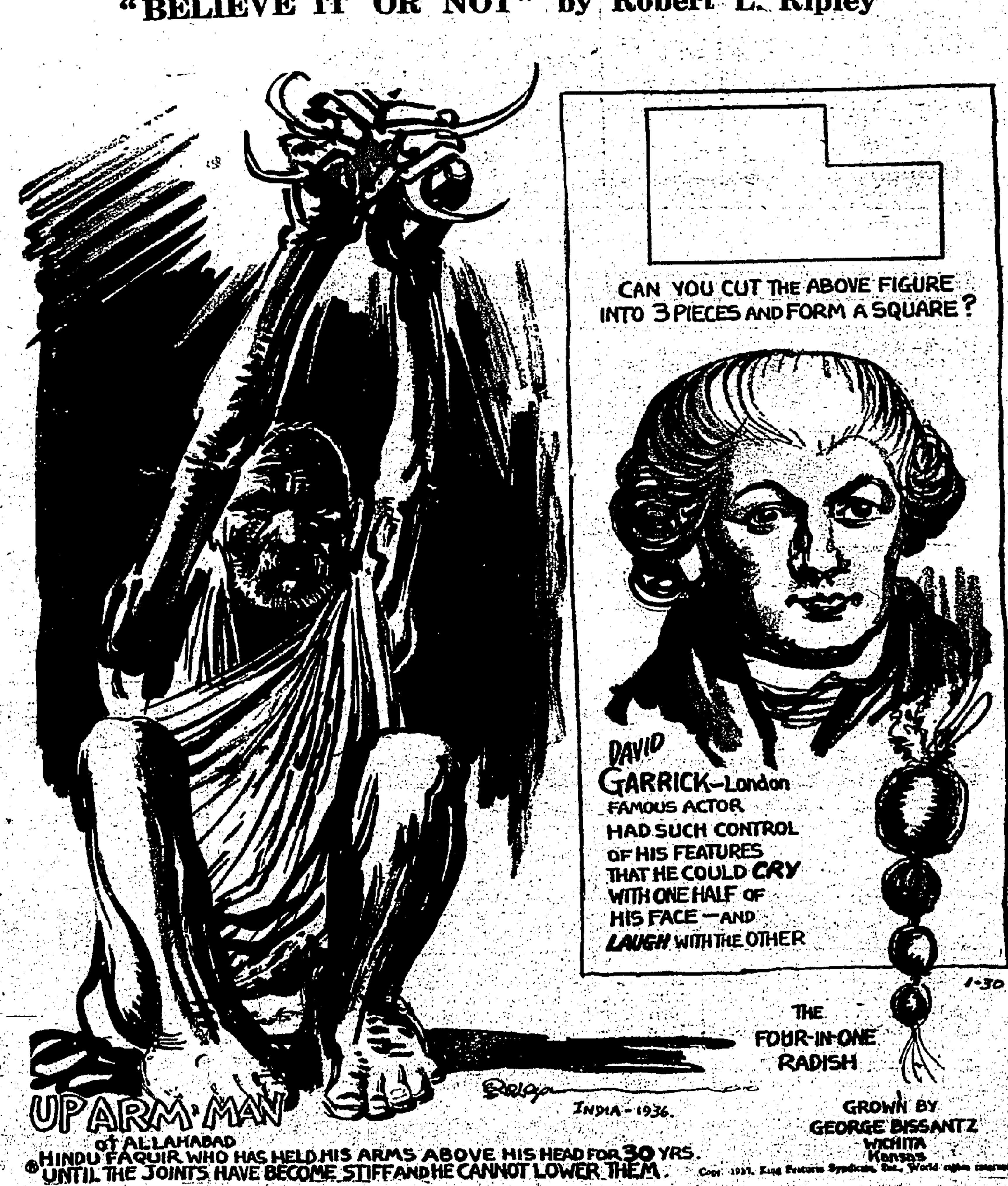
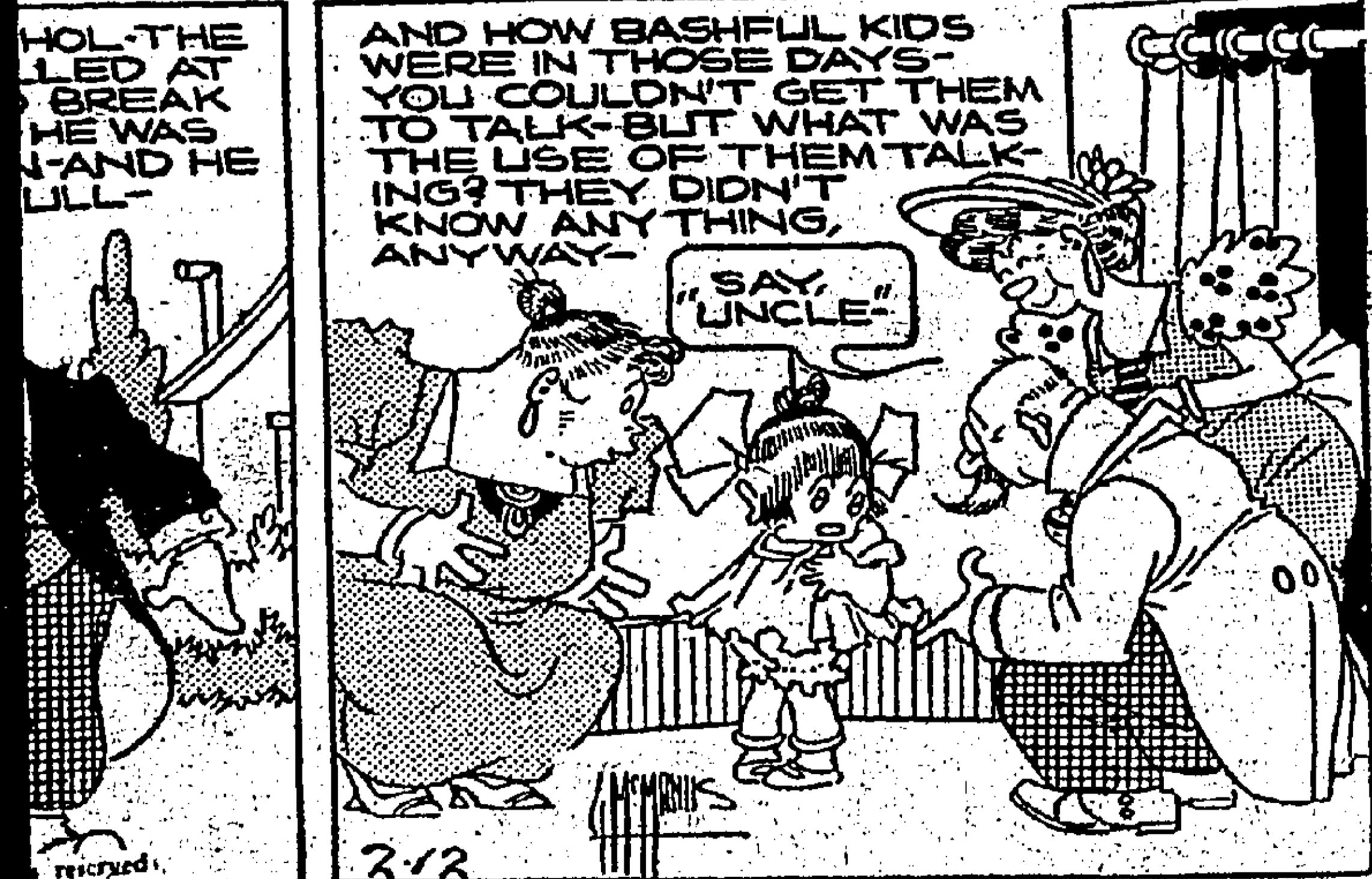


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By George McManus



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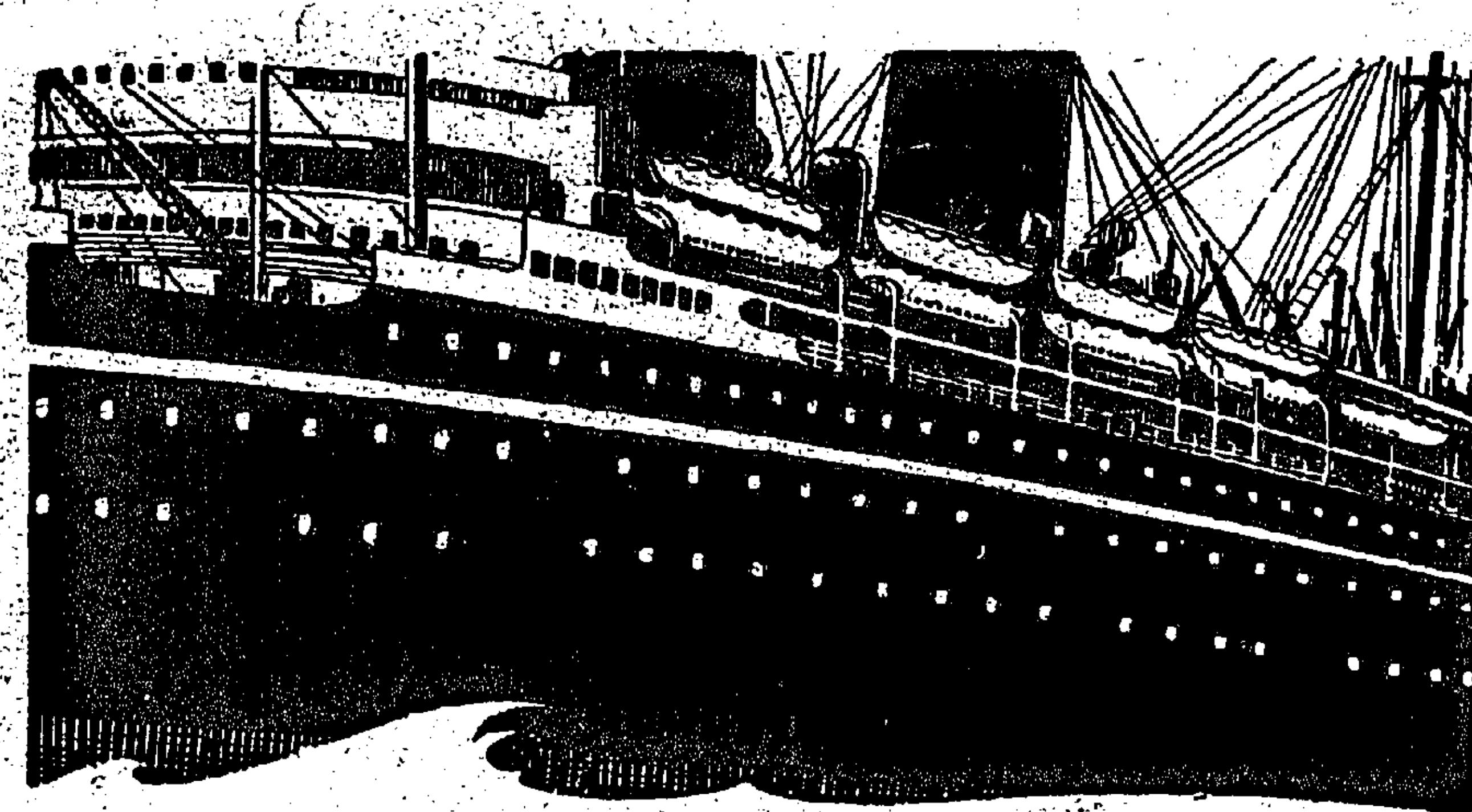
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Straits	Cremer	April 20.
Shanghai	Memnon	April 20.
Airmail By "Imperial Airways Direct Service" — London 10th April	Imperial Airways Plane	April 20.
Japan	Santos Maru	April 20.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. 3rd April).	Emp. of Asia	April 22.
Australia and Manila	Kamo Maru	April 22.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 1st April).	Asama Maru	April 23.
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For	Per	Date and Time
Tuesday		
Saigon, *Ceylon, *India, *East and Andre Lebon		Tues., Apr. 20.
*South Africa, Egypt and Europe	G. P. O. and K. P. O.	
via Marseilles	Reg. ....	Apr. 19, 5 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 19th May)	Letters. ....	Apr. 20, 8 a.m.
*Shanghai, *Japan, *U.S.A., *C. and Pres. Coolidge	Parcels. ....	Mon., Apr. 19.
*S. America, *Canada and *Europe	Reg. ....	Apr. 19, 5 p.m.
via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 6th May.	Letters. ....	Apr. 20, 8:30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Tatsuta Maru	Tues., Apr. 20.	
C. and S. America, *Canada and *Europe via San Francisco and	Reg. ....	Apr. 19, 5 p.m.
*Europe via Siberia.	Letters. ....	Apr. 20, 8:30 a.m.
(Due San Francisco, 11th May).	Reg. ....	Apr. 21, 5 p.m.
Batavia	Tjisalak	Tues., Apr. 20, 9:30 a.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Tues., Apr. 20, 2 p.m.
Swatow	Chaksang	Tues., Apr. 20, 2:30 p.m.
Formosa	Nankai Maru	Tues., Apr. 20, 2:30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	Santos Maru	Tues., Apr. 20, 2:30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Pres. Taft	Nanchang	Wed., Apr. 21, 8:30 a.m.
Central and South America *Canada and *Europe via San Francisco.	Parcels. ....	Apr. 20, 4 p.m.
(Due San Francisco 11th May).	Reg. ....	Apr. 20, 5 p.m.
Letters. ....	Apr. 20, 5:30 p.m.	
Wednesday		
Foochow via Swatow	Nanchang	Wed., Apr. 21, 8:30 a.m.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—due Memnon	Wed., Apr. 21,	
Amsterdam 3rd May.	G. P. O. and K. P. O.	
Reg. ....	Apr. 21, 9:30 a.m.	
Letters. ....	Apr. 21, 10 a.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Memnon		Wed., Apr. 21.
and *Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 19th May—and London	Parcels. ....	Apr. 21, 9 a.m.
parcels—due London, 26th May.	Reg. ....	Apr. 21, 9:45 a.m.
Letters, Fort Bayard and Haiphong	Letters. ....	Apr. 21, 10:30 a.m.
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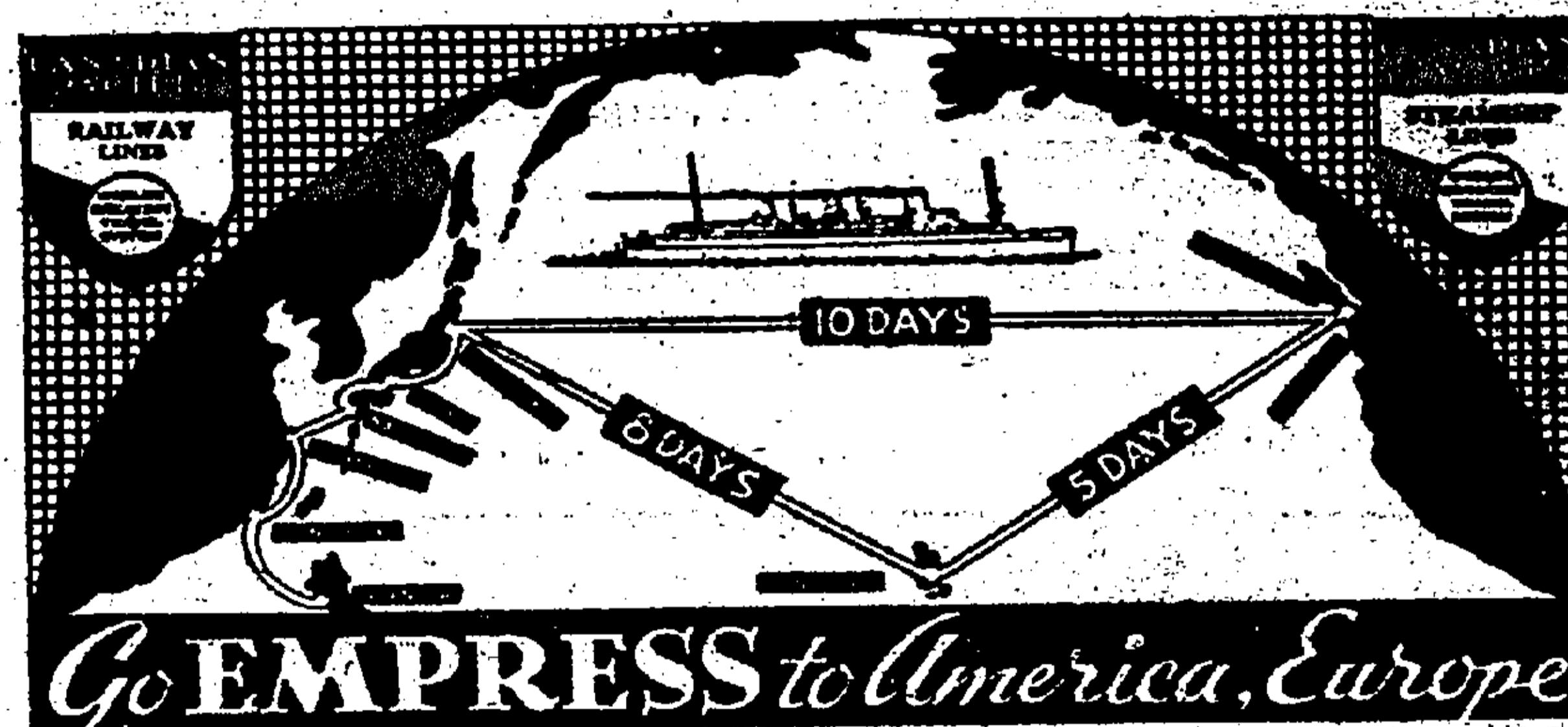
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Canada	July 9	July 11		July 14	July 16	July 23	July 28	
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**BRIGHTER BUSINESS  
OUTLOOK**

**ANNUAL MEETING OF A. S. WATSON  
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An increased volume of business, coupled with greater stability in exchange, promises a definitely improved outlook for the current year, declared Mr. D. E. Clark presiding this morning at the annual meeting of shareholders of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company.

The Chairman said:—In my speech last year, after reviewing the unsatisfactory result then shown, I ventured to express the hope of brighter prospects for the ensuing year. The result of the year's working shows an improvement over the two previous years, although the net profit shown is disappointing. In all departments an increased volume of business has been done, but the net profit is not commensurate with the increased turnover. Also, profits were affected to some extent by the rapid fall in sterling exchange. Raw materials and manufacturing stocks cost much more in local currency, and it was not considered advisable to increase prices proportionately immediately.

**PRICES ADJUSTED**

However, during the current year prices have been revised and adjusted to the increased costs. Considerable fluctuations in currency were experienced at the Company's Canton branch. During the busy summer season exchange averaged at the extremely low rates of from C\$165 to C\$195 per \$100 H.K. and considerable loss resulted during that period in remitting funds from Canton to Hong Kong. But for these factors the results would have been more satisfactory.

I pointed out last year that very considerable economies had been effected; these economies have been maintained, and where possible without detriment to the business, further increased. By continued intensive work and discreetly pursuing opportunities, although push and propaganda have meant extra expenditure, I hope that the present improved turnover will be maintained and increased, and in view of the more or less stabilised dollar in Hong Kong and the better outlook as regards Chinese currency, increased profits may be realised.

**SMALL DIVIDEND**

In view of the better outlook generally your Directors feel justified in declaring a small dividend:

I now formally propose that the Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted and that the balance at Profit and Loss Account viz., \$112,264.29, be appropriated as follows:—Pay a dividend of 25 cents per share absorbing \$37,500, and carry forward \$74,764.29.

Mr. F. W. Stapleton seconded and the report and accounts were adopted.

**Lena Gold Sabotage  
Denied**

**Moscow, To-day.**  
An official denial of earlier reports that leading Soviet executives have been accused of acts of sabotage in the Lena goldfields has been issued in Moscow. — Reuter.

**Mr. J. Scott Harston, Sir Shou-son Chow and Mr. S. T. Williamson were re-elected directors, while Mr. C. Bernard Brown and Mr. S. T. Butlin were re-elected auditors.**  
The following attended:—Messrs. D. E. Clark (Chairman), S. T. Williamson, J. Scott Harston (Directors), J. A. Tarrant (Secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. F. W. Stapleton, W. Patterson, J. D. Humphreys, Peter Wong, W. C. Lee, C. B. Brown and Wong Kin-tsui.

**INCOME TAX**

**Effort To Bring  
Foreigners Into Scheme**

**Canton, To-day.**  
Mr. Liang Shao-yung, Director of the Income Tax Bureau for Kwangtung, visited different consuls in Shamien yesterday morning to discuss with them the collection of income tax from foreign firms and foreigners in the province. — Our Own Correspondent.

**OSLO CONVENTION  
SIGNATORIES**

**Another Meeting For  
Economic Pact**

**The Hague, To-day.**  
A new conference of the States signatory to the Oslo Convention will probably be called at the end of May, says an official announcement.

All the signatory States will be represented at the talks, at which questions still outstanding will be discussed. — Trans-Ocean.

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Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

### BANKS

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#### INDUSTRIALS

Canton Ins. \$320 b.

Union Ins. \$620 b., \$620 sa.

China Underwriters \$1.35 b.

#### SHIPPING

Douglas \$38 b.

#### DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$114 1/2 b.

H. K. and W. Docks \$29 1/2 b., \$30 sa.

Providents (Old) \$1.95 b.

#### LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. K. and S. Hotels \$7.20 b., \$7.30

s., \$7.20 1/4 sa.

H. K. Lands \$35 1/4 1/4 sa.

Humphreys \$9 b.

H. K. Realties \$5 1/2 b.

#### PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$14 1/2 b., \$14 1/2 sa.

Peak Trams (Old) \$4 1/2 b.

Peak Trams (New) \$1 b.

China Lights (Old) \$14 1/2 b., \$14.30

sa.

China Lights (New) \$14 b., \$14/

14.10 sa.

H. K. Electrics \$59 1/2 b., \$59 1/2 sa.

Sandakan Lights \$12 b.

Telephones (Old) \$29 b.

#### INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$15.40 b., \$15.40/55 sa.

#### STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms \$25 b.

#### COTTON MILLS

Shanghai Cottons (Old) Sh. \$117 b.

Shanghai Cottons (New) Sh. \$92 b.

Wing On Textiles Sh. \$60 b.

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Suyoc Consol. 35 1/2

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## TRADE CONFLICT SETTLED

### Japan — N.E.I. Pact

Three years of negotiations, punctuated by frequent disputes, were brought to a successful conclusion in Batavia, with the initialing of a trade agreement by Dr. C. H. C. Hart, Director of the Economic Affairs Bureau of the Netherlands East Indies, and Mr. Yukio Ishizawa, Consul-General in Batavia.

The agreement, which will supplement the Japan-Netherlands Trade and Navigation Treaty of 1913, will be formally signed in the Hague at the end of next month.

The negotiations, begun in May, 1934, broke down six months later as a result of the Netherlands' demand for the restriction of Japanese exports of textiles to the East Indies. Eager to readjust commercial relations with the N.E.I. the Government, however, ordered Mr. Ishizawa to resume the talks last year.

With the conclusion of an agreement between the shipping interests of the two countries at a conference in Batavia last year, the trade pourparlers in Batavia took a new lease on life.

The final boost was given by the visit of Mr. Kazue Kawaiima, the newly appointed Minister to the Hague, to the Netherlands East Indies last month.

The text of the agreement will not be released until it is formally signed in the Hague.

#### Satisfaction In Tokyo

Deep satisfaction over the complete accord of views between the Governments of Japan and the Netherlands regarding the readjustment of trade relations between the former and the

## JAPAN CANNOT INVEST IN CHINA CHINESE MONEY FOR MANCHUKUO

Absorption of Chinese capital for the development of Manchuria and North China forms the backbone of Japan's economic policy in China, declares the Chung Hua Jih Pao, one of the big Shanghai vernaculars.

Japan, in the opinion of the journal, is at present not in a position to pour huge investments into China from her resources for economic exploitation in this country. Her financial strength is inferior to that of Great Britain, America, and other countries, and in addition, industrialists and financiers in the Island Empire always consider the safety of their investments first, thus hesitating to invest their capital abroad.

#### Heavy Investment

Since the Mukden Incident, the paper continued, the Tokyo Government has borne a financial burden of from \$160,000,000 to \$170,000,000 annually. Up to the end of 1936 the total of Japanese investments in the North-eastern provinces amounted to \$1,200,000,000. Beginning from this year, a sum of \$1,500,000,000 will be raised to finance the so-called "Five-year industrial plan" there.

However, the daily pointed out, most of the capital invested in Manchuria is accrued from three main sources, namely, (1) profits from the South Manchuria Railway and its subsidiary businesses, (2) capital absorbed from Japanese financial organs in the Northeast and (3) public bonds issued in Japan and other investments. In fact, a very small portion of the capital has come from Japan itself.

The journal attributed the inability of Japan to export a larger amount of capital into China to the increase of the deficits in her annual budget, and the rising tendency in her unfavourable balance in foreign trade.

#### To Encourage Smuggling

Japan's economic position in North China, according to the journal, has not yet reached the stage of manipulating local capital. Therefore she must positively expand her financial organs there with a view to absorbing sufficient capital for further economic exploitation.

With this end in view, Japan will further encourage smuggling in North China which will go a long way in readjusting the exportation of Japanese capital into China, Central News reports.

## LOCAL DOLLAR

### London Silver Prices

The dollar opened on demand to-day at 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20-11/16 and "forward," at 20-3/4.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.92 1/8 and the New York on London cross-rate at 4.92-3/16.

### Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co. have received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

	Buyers	Up
Spot	38 1/2	1/4
May/June	38 3/4	1/4
July/September	39	1/4
October/December	39	1/4

Market: Irregular Fluctuating.

### Berlin Bourse

Berlin, To-day. A confident tone prevailed on the stock market yesterday following Dr. Schacht's statement that more raw materials would be available for German retail traders and the improvement in Germany's foreign trade balance.—Trans-Ocean.

Netherlands East Indies was expressed in a statement issued by the Japanese Foreign Office.

The statement noted that the agreement culminated negotiations that have been in progress in Batavia since May 1934.

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# V.R.C. TO HOLD CORONATION GALA

## A Major Swimming Attraction

### ALL CLUBS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

### TO BE RUN ON TEAM BASIS

### CHIEF JUSTICE ORIGINATOR

(By "Crawl")

**A**N event of great interest in the local aquatic world will take place on May 12 to commemorate the Coronation of His Majesty King George VI., when an International swimming gala will be held under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club, and open to the Colony.

The organisers of the gala hope to run it on either an international, or team basis, with one or two individual events for both men and women to break up any possible monotony. I believe I am right in stating that the idea of a Coronation gala originated from His Honour, the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, who is Chairman of the Club and a very keen supporter of aquatic and other events.

#### U. S. INAUGURATE BRIGHT TENNIS IDEA

Prize Awarded To Best Girl Sportsman

A splendid idea was brought into practice in the last girl championships of the U.S.A. A prize was given to the girl who showed the best sportsmanship, appearance, and court manners.

The rules were read to the players at the start of the tournament, and a copy given to each. The trophy was awarded to Miss Eleanor Dawson, of Piedmont, California.

#### JACK MEDICA SMASHES SOME AQUATIC MARKS

#### PHENOMENAL SWIMMING SEEN

#### FAST SWIMS IN MELBOURNE

(By "DERWENT")

Sydney, March 11. Provided with an opportunity to break records, Jack Medica revealed the speed that won him Olympic honours by skimming over 440 yards in 4min 54 4-5sec at the Olympic Pool, Melbourne. Medica also swam 110 yards in 61 4-5sec, the fastest time ever registered for this distance in Victoria.

The weather was not suitable for an open-air carnival, but Medica was a magnet, and the attendance was satisfactory. In company with Noel Ryan, who accepted the invitation of the V.A.S.A. to compete against the American in Melbourne, and manager Fred Cady, Medica flew to Melbourne and returned to Sydney by air the day after the carnival.

In order that Medica might be "pulled out" thoroughly, the 440 yards event took the form of a special handicap, in which Noel Ryan was on 10 seconds, Alan Crawford (Y.M.C.A.) on 20, Ron Winning (Melbourne) on 30, Di Lenay (Essendon), E. Englehart

Swimming being one of the major sports in the Colony, the gala should not be lacking in support, especially from the many Chinese clubs, while the support of the European Y.M.C.A., the Navy and Army is certain.

#### MANY CLUBS

As far as I can see the following clubs other than the Victoria Recreation Club should be able to enter teams:—European Y.M.C.A., Navy, Army, South China Athletic Association, Chinese Bathing Club, Chinese Y.M.C.A., Chung Shing Benevolent Society, Chinese Civil Servants Swimming Club, Mak Ngah Association, and possibly the Kowloon Swimming Club, if it is revived in time.

I personally think it is a grand thing to hold a Coronation Gala and can think of no other sport more suitable for cementing the friendships between the various nationalities in the Colony and of the various Clubs, at the same time providing an excellent send-off to the swimming season proper.

(Melbourne), and E. Dennis (University) on 35.

#### LONG SPRINT

Before Medica took the water, the limit men were more than a lap ahead, but Medica's long, gliding stroke took him within 25 yards of the leaders when they turned at 110 yards. The time for 110 yards was 1.5.

Medica passed Ryan near the end of the first furlong, covered in 2.21, and 110 yards further on was less than 10 yards behind the leaders, Ron Winning, swimming beautifully. When he turned into the last lap, Medica started a long sprint, caught Winning 25 yards from the line, and won by 5 yards. Ryan finished third, 10 yards behind Winning.

#### FINE SPRINTING FORM

In the 110 yards handicap, Medica, starting from virtual scratch, 3 seconds, showed better sprinting form than anything Victoria has seen in recent years, and won by two yards from J. Doak (Geelong West), 8secs, with A. Gilchrist (Melbourne), 7secs, in third place. The time, 61 4-5ths, was only 1 3-5ths below S. Takaishi's Australian record. Noel Ryan, 4secs, was fourth.



D. F. Lopes, above, is the energetic Hon. Secretary of the Victoria Recreation Club and largely responsible for the Coronation Swimming Gala which will take place on May 12.

## BOROTRA TO STAGE COMEBACK?

(By "AUSTRAL")

Some three years ago, when Jean Borotra said he was too old to play singles for the Davis Cup contests any longer, there was no reason apparent from his displays to make one agree with him. He had just beaten Vines and Allison in gruelling matches, and lasted them out. No doubt at that moment he felt too tired and mistook that feeling for old age.

Since then he has continued to win the covered court titles of France, England and America, almost every time he has competed.

Now the French Association has ranked the players of France in this order: Borotra, Destremau, Boussus, Feret, Merlin, Martin—Legeay, Bernard, Jamin, Journu, Lesseur.

While I would like Borotra to stage a comeback, I realise that for him a Davis Cup match is so serious a matter, he is so patriotically keen on winning, that he takes far more out of himself. He must be the best and only judge.

He has done his duty in the game for his country. He would be welcomed back, but there should not be too much persuasion.

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The following are the officials for the ensuing year:

President:—Mr. W. Muir.

Vice-President:—Mr. T. H. Smith.

Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer:—

Mr. C. Porter.

Official Umpires:—Messrs. T. H. Smith and R. Dodge.

Official Scorers:—Mr. R. Pearce.

An interesting experiment to take place is the broadcasting of baseball games with the intention of promoting more public interest.

Provided that suitable amenities can be obtained, this experiment will be carried out during the coming season.

## BASEBALL TO START ON MAY 2

H. K. BASEBALL CLUB MAKES DEBUT

## PUI CHING MAY NOT PLAY

"Last year was one of the most successful and if the typhoon had not interfered and blown down the matshed we would have now a nice credit balance," said Mr. W. Muir, President of the Hong Kong Baseball League, when presiding at the annual general meeting, held at Hotel Cecil and attended by representatives of most Clubs.

In reviewing the season Mr. Muir said that the venue of the games was changed to Causeway Bay last year, and while the ground was bigger and more suitable for baseball, it was easily water-logged, and this upset the fixtures, while in order to meet the Pui-ching Academy, several games had been arranged whenever they were here and this too interfered with the fixtures. Added to this, the typhoon wrecked their matshed when there were still several games to be played and the season came to an abrupt ending.

It was revealed that permission had been received from the Royal Naval Recreation Club for the use of Caroline Hill and to build a stand there. It was decided that a matshed be built again this season, and that the cost be proportioned among the competing clubs.

#### OFFICIAL UMPIRES

The question of umpires took a considerable discussion and it was decided that in view of the unsatisfactory state of affairs last season, official umpires be agreed upon now and that they were to choose whoever they wished to help them. Messrs. T. H. Smith and R. Dodge offered to umpire the league games and they were co-opted on the committee.

It was also decided that all players be registered with the Hon. Secretary at least a week before they played and that no transfer would be allowed except with permission of the Committee. In order that the League could be completed in time, it was decided to adhere strictly to the fixtures and that at a meeting to be called in the near future, representatives of Clubs be asked to attend the draw.

#### NO SHIPS' TEAMS

Pui-ching, last year's champions, have not intimated as to whether they are again competing this season and it was decided that the American warships be not allowed to enter the League owing to the uncertainty of their movements.

The Canadians and the Americans are again joining forces this season and will be known as the Hong Kong Baseball Club, while the other clubs competing are, The Volunteers, the Nippon Club, Eastern Baseball Club and the Overseas Chinese.

In view of the impending departure of Mr. J. Thomson, the Hon. Secretary, on leave, Mr. C. Porter was elected to the post.

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# H. D. RUMJAHN'S RUNAWAY VICTORY

## LEONG PING CHIU NO MATCH

### GOSANO AND REMEDIOS CONVINCING

#### VETERAN PAIR OUTPLAYED

(By "ADREM")

**H.** D. RUMJAHN dealt with Leong Ping-chiu in their Colony singles tennis quarter-final yesterday at the H.K.C.C. exactly as I said he would. He produced a stream of good length drives on both hands for which Leong simply had no counter. The result was an easy victory for "H. D." by scores of 6-2, 6-1.

**THE MATCH LASTED A BARE HALF HOUR. RUMJAHN WAS NEVER REALLY EXTENDED, BUT THE POLISHED MANNER IN WHICH HE MADE ALL HIS STROKES, AUGERS WELL FOR HIS CHANCES AGAINST FRANK KWOK AND SUBSEQUENTLY "S. A." OR TEDDY FINCHER, IN THE FINAL.**

Leong Pin-chiu's lack of stroke equipment was early apparent and although he played some nice shots on the forehand, for the most part he was prone to hit the ball out of court. His backhand was very badly executed, with no backswing or follow through. Consequently he could never get any speed behind the shot and on the few occasions that "H. D." advanced to the net, he offered an easy "kill."

### FOUR SNOOKER GAMES DOWN FOR DECISION

#### Colony Tourney Makes Progress

The Second Round of the Open Snooker Championship will be completed this evening when no less than four games will be played.

A good game should be witnessed at the Civil Service Cricket Club, when H. R. Sequeira, who beat G. Singh in the First Round, meets E. A. dos Remedios, who drew a bye.

The following are this evening's games:

H. R. Sequeira v. E. A. dos Remedios (Civil Service Cricket Club)  
U. S. Santos v. C. Strange (Club Lusitano)  
A. P. Pereira v. G. M. P. Remedios (Dockyard Police Club)  
A. J. Osmund v. F. P. Sequeira (Chief and Petty Officers' Club)

### NO COLONY TENNIS TIES FOR TO-DAY

#### Club Handicap Events

There will be no matches on the Stand Court of the Hong Kong C.C. in the open tennis tournaments this afternoon, matches being confined to Club-handicap events.

The following is to-day's programme:

#### TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

**Club Singles**  
M. Pagh v. J. F. Ley.  
**Club Handicap Singles**  
H. Owen Hughes (—15) v. A. K. Mackenzie (+1.6).  
**Club Handicap Doubles**  
F. V. Harrison and A. S. Read (—5.6) v. J. E. Richardson and R. M. Wood (+3.6).  
G. E. R. Divett and B. O'M. Deane (—15.3) v. R. Hancock and T. E. Pearce (—2.6).

Although many opinion had been expressed that Ng Sze-kwong and Hon Luen-fung would extend A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios quite considerably, the latter won comfortably and the veterans were never in a challenging position.

The first set was rather close. The Recreio pair are not renowned for quick starting, so this probably had something to do with it. In any event, the second set was just a walkover.

#### MAGNIFICENT STROKES

The winners, sensing their superiority, went for winners all the time and brought off some shots that were perfectly magnificent. Both volleyed, served and smashed with great abandon and one could not, but help feeling a little sorry for the flurried veterans on the other side of the net, who time and again were caught hopelessly out of position. Gosano and Remedios won 6-4, 6-1.

A very inferior standard prevailed in the remaining open tournament game, Liu Kwai-fun and Wong Fuk-nam proving infinitely superior to W. N. Cheung and M. C. Hung and winning as they liked.

#### Open Singles

H. D. Rumjahn beat Leong Ping-chiu 6-2, 6-1.

#### Open Doubles

A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios beat Ng Sze-kwong and Hon Luen-fung 6-4, 6-1; Wong Fuk-nam and Lui Kwai-fun beat W. N. Cheung and M. C. Hung 6-4, 6-0.

#### Club Singles

G. W. Sewell beat V. R. Gordon 6-0, 6-4; G. E. R. Divett beat H. Owen Hughes 6-3, 6-1; M. Pagh beat W. Wooding 6-1, 6-8 (Wooding retired after the second set).

#### Mixed Doubles

G. Polglase and Mrs. Wood beat J. F. L. Smalley and Miss Smalley 6-3, 6-8, 6-2.

### COMBINED HONG KONG TEAM BEATEN IN CANTON

A charity football match in aid of the Canton Chinese Police Hospital was played on Sunday afternoon at the East Parade Ground at Canton between the Canton Chinese Police and a combined team from the Hong Kong Football Club and the Kowloon Football Club. After a hard struggle the Canton players won by 4 goals to 1.

#### GORDON RICHARDS IN NEW ROLE

#### Jockey's Four Lose To Crack Swiss Team

St. Moritz, Switzerland. Gordon Richards was engaged in a very desperate finish at St. Moritz, recently, and lost by two inches. On this occasion it was on the curling rink, not the racecourse. Richards was playing for the second junior St. Moritz team for the Gossage Cup, one of the premier curling events in Switzerland for which eleven teams entered.

The other members of the team were Wally Griggs, who skipped the side, Bobby Jones, and Jackie Sirett. In the final the jockeys came up against Switzerland's crack team, the St. Moritz four, which last year won the Blue Ribbon of the curling world, the Jackson Cup.

### COLONY LAWN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### Concluding Stages Reached

Arrangements for playing the semi-final and final matches in the Open Tennis Championships of the Colony have been completed by the Hong Kong C.C.

To-morrow, E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung will meet Wong Fuk-nam and Lui Kwai-fun in the semi-finals of the open doubles, and on Friday S. A. Rumjahn will play E. C. Fincher in the semi-final of the singles.

If the weather does not interfere with the competition, all the matches should be finished by next week. On next, Monday H. D. Rumjahn and F. H. Kwok will meet in the other semi-final singles match and on Tuesday Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-cheong will play either the Rumjahn cousins or A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios.

The singles final will be decided on Wednesday next (a week to-morrow) the Club Championship on the following day and the Open Doubles Final on Friday April 30.

Booking for these matches (except the Club Championship) is now open at Moutrie's. The entrance to the stand is \$1, inclusive of tax.

The prize-giving will take place immediately after the final of the doubles.

### SUNDAY HERALD CUP FINAL

#### England's Team To Meet Ireland

The following players have been selected to represent England in the Sunday Herald International Charity Cup Final against Ireland to be played at Caroline Hill on Sunday, April 25, kick-off at 4.15 p.m.:

J. Rodger (Club); G. Webster (Seafords), S. Strange (Club), Capt.; E. Strange (Club), A. S. Bliss (Kowloon), C. Parker (Police); F. A. Fowler (Club), W. A. Land (R.E.), H. C. Elliott (Club), L. B. B. Talbot (R.W.F.) and B. I. Bickford (Club).

Selected reserves will be notified

### NAVY DEFEAT EASTERN AT CAUSEWAY BAY

#### But Chinese Should Have Won

### SOONG LING SING SHINES

(By "REFEREE")

Making full use of the few opportunities which came their way, the Royal Navy yesterday beat Eastern Athletic Association by 3 goals to 1 in their First Division League soccer clash much against the run of the play, the Chinese team throwing away golden opportunities in front of goal.

Soong Ling-sing and Han Chiu-to were outstanding among the two teams and should have scored half a dozen goals each, but their efforts were always an inch or two out, much to the satisfaction of the Navy defenders, who, although they gave a rousing display, covered each other very badly and rarely cleared with any thought for where the ball might land.

Wolverson was the mainstay of the defence, and his quick and timely clearances often robbed an Eastern forward in the "area." Chearman was also very hard-working and fed his inside-forwards with judicious passes, while both Laister and Love, on the flanks, did their share of harrassing the opposing wingers, although the former was just a trifle too slow for Eastern's left-wing.

#### SLACKENED OFF

Eastern's defence opened the game in fine style, adopting first time tactics for everything that came their way, but they slackened off considerably in the second half and should never have allowed Wolff to score his second goal and Chearman to net with a drive from 30 yards from a free-kick!

Benson, taking Reglar's place at right-back, gave a sound display except for his covering. He used his height to advantage, although he was too fond of wandering half-way up the field before disposing of the ball.

#### PASSES WASTED

Cheung Kwok-choi shone in Eastern's centre-half position, but the majority of his passes were wasted on George Yeung, who was too stolid to be effective.

George Yeung opened the scoring for Eastern with an excellent first-timer off a centre from the left-wing, but Navy levelled the scores soon after through Wolff. In the second half Chearman placed the Navy in the lead with a dive from 30 yards, taken from a free kick for an infringement and just before the end Wolff netted from an oblique angle.

**Navy:**—Keeble, Benson, and Wolverson; Laister, Chearman and Love; Stone, Wolff, Cooke, Tippett and Tozer.

**Eastern:**—Cheung Ip-wing, Lai Ting-choi and Ng Ying-kai; Tsang Chung-wan, Cheung Kwok-choi and Yuen Shue; Fung Chung-yin, Soong Ling-sing, George Yeung and Han Chiu-to.

later.

Players and reserves are requested to be present at the ground half an hour prior to the commencement of the game.

## TIMELESS TESTS IN CRICKET

### ONLY ONES WORTH PLAYING

#### ABOLISH HEAVY ROLLER

Mr. W. B. Franklin, Junior Carlton Club, Pall Mall, writing to the editor of the London "Times," stated that:

"It took years of argument and talk to change the size of the stumps and the leg-before-wicket rule, but the 'timeless' Test has done more to change the whole game of cricket than these two rules put together."

The "timeless" Tests in Australia cannot have "changed the whole game of cricket" because they were instituted sixty years ago. And what living man, save Mr. T. W. Garrett, can tell from personal experience what those changes are?

#### FINEST EVER

England has had only three timeless Tests. The first, in 1926, was about the finest game seen in international cricket in England to that period. It ended with the spectators flooding the field, when victory was won by England, and revealing a degree of sporting enthusiasm that made it the most memorable day in the cricketing experience of most of those present.

In the other "timeless" Tests in England enthusiasm did not reach such heights, naturally, because the Australians dominated the scene.

The changes in cricket brought about by the increase in the size of the stumps and the new I.B.W. law, are so minor as to be unnoticed by most people.

**MR. TRUMBLE'S SUGGESTIONS**  
Cranks are always suggesting changes in cricket law. But no change will ever make some batsmen go for the bowling with reasonable vigor and enterprise. The one change that would be of great value to cricket is that advocated by Mr. J. W. Trumble, the former Australian eleven all-rounder, and elder brother of Mr. Hugh Trumble.

In an article in the London "Times" two years ago, Mr. Trumble pointed out that any ills cricket may be suffering from, are due to the super-excellent pitches now prepared by the heavy roller, water, and top-dressing.

He suggests a return to something like natural wickets, with less heavy rolling of the turf. This, he rightly holds, would place bowler and batsman on equality instead of giving every possible advantage to the batsman as at present.

In Melbourne last week Mr. Trumble told me that he is more and more convinced of the soundness of his ideas relating to the wickets. If less attention to rolling be given, the wickets will still be good enough for any Test match.

**TWO WICKETS**  
If the argument be seriously advanced that the winner of the toss will have the advantage in bowling in the last innings on a worn pitch, two pitches could be provided and the right to chose either be left to the captains in their discretion.

Mr. Trumble ought to place his suggestions before the M.C.C. and the Board of Control. These bodies are mutually interested.

If the writer could have seen Don Bradman, Stan McCabe, and C. L. Badeck, in their centuries against England in the recent fifth Test, he would realise that when the batsmen are of the right class and animated by the right ideas they can be as entertaining as ever merely potter.



Kaye Don, above, famous British Motor-racing and speed-boat driver, is seen above testing a new power-boat in which he hopes to race this coming season on the Italian Riviera.

## NEW ZEALAND CREW FOR EMPIRE GAMES

(By "RHYTHM")

SYDNEY, MARCH 11.

NEW ZEALAND HAS DEFINITELY DECIDED TO SEND AN EIGHT-OAR CREW FOR THE EMPIRE GAMES IN SYDNEY NEXT YEAR, AND HAS APPOINTED SELECTORS FROM THE NORTH AND SOUTH ISLANDS WHO WILL VISIT THE VARIOUS REGATTAS, WITH A VIEW TO SELECTING THE BEST POSSIBLE CREW. IT IS NOT LIKELY THAT THE SELECTION WILL BE MADE BEFORE EASTER.

The selectors are: North Island, C. A. Healey and A. E. White; South Island, H. Ayers and A. M. Hale. Mr. A. D. Bayfield, Hon. Secretary of the Association, will act in conjunction with the selectors.

Mr. Ayers will be remembered as coach of the New Zealand crew that visited Sydney in 1925 and so decisively defeated our best crews. Mr. Healey, another selector, was stroke of the eight; he also visited Sydney in 1934 as stroke of the Wanganui Union crew.

**COMPOSITE CREW**  
If a composite-eight is to be chosen to represent Australia, it is time some action was taken by the Rowing Council regarding its selection.

The King's Cup contest takes place next month, and that would be the only opportunity selectors would have of seeing the pick of Australian rowers in action.

Francis Ford, G. L. Jessop, and Frank Woolley were.

**"TIMELESS" EFFORTS**  
It was in a "timeless" Test that J. J. Lyons played his very famous hard-hitting innings for 134 in Sydney against England in face of a first innings deficit of 176. It was against England in a "timeless" Test, that Victor Trumper stamped his name with immortality by his glorious 185 not out in Sydney. It was in "timeless" matches that Trumper made his century on a bad wicket in sixty minutes for New South Wales against Victoria.

Crowds like to see brilliant batting and brilliant fielding. They admire brilliant bowling, but do not go out of the way to see it.

Selectors ought to give batsmen who attack the bowling greater encouragement than they do. If they did, the Robinsons of cricket would be encouraged more than those who merely potter.

## HOME FOOTBALL

Stockport Win At Crewe

London, To-day.  
The following are the results of football matches played yesterday:

### THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barrow	1	Oldham	2
Crewe	1	Stockport	2
Halifax	4	Darlington	1
Tranmere	1	Accrington	2
Wrexham	2	Hull	1

### THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Cardiff	4	Aldershot	1
<b>SCOTTISH LEAGUE</b>			
Hearts	2	Clyde	1
Hibernian	0	Dundee	0
Motherwell	4	Falkirk	2

—Reuter.

## 169 M.P.H. ON A MOTOR-CYCLE

Eric Fernihough  
Breaks Records

Budapest, To-day.

Several new world motor-cycle records were set up here yesterday by Eric Fernihough, who, on a solo machine covered the flying kilometre in 13.175 secs. the equivalent of 169.6 m.p.h., and the flying mile in 21.38 secs. or 168.3 m.p.h.

With side-car attached, Fernihough covered the flying mile in 26.68 secs. or 135 m.p.h., another new record, while he also shattered the existing mark for the flying kilometre in clocking 16.31 secs., or 137 m.p.h.—Reuter.

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# AUSTRALIA-U.S. DAVIS CUP CLASH

## Budge Is America's Mainstay

### BUT AUSTRALIANS SHOULD WIN

#### PARKER RANKED SECOND IN LIST!

#### ABSENCE OF OLD BRIGADE

(By "Austral")

Sydney.

OUR Davis Cup team, Jack Crawford, Adrian Quist, Vivian McGrath, and John Bromwich, with Cliff Sproule as manager, will leave on their odyssey for the year's Davis Cup on March 18. From the latest issue of American "Lawn Tennis" we learn the recent performances of the men who will do battle for U.S.A. In the ranking list just announced the actual order of precedence is somewhat surprising, for it places Freddie Parker second to Donald Budge, with W. M. ("Bitsy") Grant in third place.

### FIVE NEW RECORDS AT WAH TAI SPORTS

#### Successful Meet at Caroline Hill

Five new records were established by the senior students of the Wah Tai College at their fifth annual sports meeting held on the South China Athletic Association ground yesterday afternoon.

At the conclusion of the programme, Mr. Lo Wing-kit, Compradore of the N.Y.K., congratulated the successful competitors and distributed the prizes.

The following were the results.

Senior 100 Metres: 1 Ip Kam-hung, 2 Leung Fook-ye. Time: 11.8 secs.

Junior 100 Metres: 1 Ip Man-hon, 2 Ip Ki-hong, 3 Au Chee-lap. Time: 13 secs.

Small Boys' 100 Metres: 1 Pun Kwok-1on, 2 Chan Hun-tak. Time: 14.3 secs.

Senior 400 Metres: 1 Leung Fook-ye, 2 Lam Sing-see. Time: 59.7 secs. (Record).

Junior 400 Metres: 1 Ip Man-hon, 2 Au Chee-lap, 3 Ip Ki-hong. Time: 1 min. 5.7 secs.

Senior Long Jump: 1 Ip Kam-hung, 2 Chan Wing-fat, 3 Lo Hon-san. Dist: 18 ft. 9 1/2 ins.

Junior Long Jump: 1 Ip Man-hon, 2 Ng Chak-fong. Dist: 17 ft. 4 ins.

Shot Put: 1 Wong Chow-keung, 2 Lo Hon-sun. Dist: 35 ft. 10 ins. (Record).

Open 800 Metres: 1 Leung Fook-ye, 2 Chan Wing-fat. Time: 2 mins. 23.5 secs. (Record).

Boarders' 100 Metres: 1 Lo Hon-sun, 2 Wong Ying-kan. Time: 11.7 secs.

3,000 Metres Bicycle Race: 1 Ho Yuk-ming, 2 Leung Kwok-kuen. Time: 6 mins. 33.7 secs.

Senior 200 Metres: 1 Ip Kam-hung, 2 Leung Fook-ye, 3 Chan Shui-kun. Time: 25.8 secs.

Junior 200 Metres: 1 Ip Man-hon, 2 Ip Ki-hong, 3 Au Chee-lap. Time: 27.7 secs.

Senior High Jump: 1 Lo Hon-sun, 2 Ip Kam-hung. Height: 5 ft. 3 ins. (Record).

Junior High Jump: 1 Ip Man-hon, 2 Ng Chak-fong, 3 Au Chee-lap. Height: 4 ft. 6 ins.

1,500 Metres Open Championship: 1 Leung Fook-ye, 2 Chan Wing-fat. Time: 5 mins. 24.6 secs. (Record).

Committee Race: 1 Shum Wai-ho, 2 Wong Yong-kan.

100 Metres (Open to Members of S.C.A.A.): 1 Leung Yun-hung, 2 Woo Pi-yan.

110 Metres Low Hurdles: 1 Ip Kam-Man-hon.

Two years back Parker was hailed as the coming man of America. He met and beat our champion colt, McGrath, both being the same age. He was hailed as the perfect stroke producer taught by "world's greatest coach" (so self styled) Beasley. I have rather doubted Beasley's methods, if they are shown by Parker's stroke production.

All critics now agree that Parker's forehand stroke is unsound. It is a pure chop, and so far he had not been able to get hold of a true drive—the basis of all truly great players. Without that all tactical skill is rotten at the core.

However, Parker is ranked second, and Grant third, and this means that it is probable that Parker will play as second man for the U.S.A. with Grant as emergency for the singles and Budge and Mako will form the pair.

The ranking list has an interest of its own, so I give it for the first ten. It is Budge, Parker, Grant, Riggs, Mangin, Van Ryn, McDiarmid, Harris, Hunt and Hendrix.

The surprising feature is the almost total absence of any of the old brigade—Allison, Shields and Syd. Wood, and the colt Mako does not gain a place, though he had some good singles results. There is always a tendency in the American association to scrap older players. They forget that Bill Tilden is still in the front, through 43.

#### BUDGE THE LION

Budge's best wins in 1936 were over Crawford and Quist in the Davis Cup, over Quist at Wimbledon, and over Perry at Los Angeles. There could not be more impressive. They ranked him, at lowest, third, in the world to Perry and

hung, 2 Hon Siu-wu. Time: 16.9 secs.

Old Boys' 100 Metres: 1 Chung Yu-on, 2 Chan Wan-kwong. Time: 12.9 secs.

1,200 Metres Open Relay: 1 La Salle Collège, 2 Ellis Kadoorie School.

Inter-Class Relay: 1 Class II, 2 Class III.

Consolation Race: 1 Chow Ping-chiu, 2 Lai Ko-chung.

Open 800 Metres: 1 L/Cpl. McCutcheon (R.U.R.), 2 L/Cpl. Chivers (R.U.R.).

Senior Championship: Won by Ip Kam-hung with 23 points.

Junior Championship: Won by Ip



Jack Crawford, above, will again captain Australia's Davis Cup team to meet the United States in the First Round of the North American Zone.

### DAVIS CUP TOURNEY FOR WOMEN

UNITED STATES NOT IN FAVOUR

#### HELEN JACOBS THINKS OPPOSITE

Sydney, March 11.

Turning down of the proposed visit to England of an Australian women's lawn tennis team this year by the A.L.T.A., practically on the question of amateurism, is quaint, in view of financial arrangements for Davis Cup players.

The leading Australian women play their games so fascinatingly, are so distinctive in type, and such good and gracious "sportsmen" that the four best players would have created rare interest among the galleries at Wimbledon, and, perhaps, would have won some of the higher honours.

Miss Joan Hartigan and others gave them a fine advertisement in recent years. Miss Nancy Wynne, Miss Thelma Coyne, and Mrs. Wastacott would have heightened it, and, perhaps, have won in their spheres as much renown as the men.

#### BEST TO WAIT

The view held in Melbourne on the matter of a tour this year is that it is best to await the matches with the British Women's team out here this year. It is held that as Misses Wynne and Coyne are young, the experience they will gain against the English women will be of great value.

Then if the team be sent to Wimbledon in 1938, they will be better equipped to meet all comers under conditions differing from those of the homeland. Of course, though it may be argued that experience this year at Wimbledon would strengthen them as opponents of the English women.

#### AN AMERICAN VIEW

Touching on the suggested "Davis Cup" for women, as promulgated on Page 22)



from one result that apart from Budge the opposition in singles is not impressive. Riggs is ranged fourth. He went down to Van Ryn in the last American championship rather badly, and yet scored twice against Parker, and once against Grant. No one to-day could call Van Ryn a great player in singles. He only once—years ago—approached greatness in this branch. How then can Parker or Grant be really formidable to our men?

It would really appear from all the results tabulated of the American season that the U.S.A. is going through a slack time. When Van Ryn, a player over thirty, can come back to gain fourth place, this is pretty clear.

#### OUR CHANCES

As to our chances it does appear

## U.S. BASEBALL LEAGUE SEASON OPENS

Phillies Secure  
Double-Header

### WILLIAMS' GOOD PITCHING

New York, To-day. The American Baseball League opened yesterday with a double-header in the National League, in which the Phillies twice nosed out the Braves, Williams blanking Boston in the second half of the clash.

President Roosevelt set the American League in motion by pitching the first ball in the clash between the Athletics and the Cardinals in which the latter were nosed out by 4 to 3. There were no other matches scheduled.

The following were yesterday's results:

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	2	8	0
Arnovich hit a homer			
Boston	1	4	1
(11 innings were played)			
Philadelphia	1	4	0
Boston	0	4	2
Williams pitched.			
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Philadelphia	4	9	1
Johnson hit a homer			
St. Louis	3	7	1

### LATEST BETTING ON THE DERBY

City And Suburban  
To-morrow

The following is the latest call over for the City and Suburban which is being run to-morrow:

William of Valence 75 to 20 t and o.  
His Grace 15 to 2 o, 18 to 1 t.  
Lovely Ross 17 to 2 o, 9 to 1 t.  
Reward 100 to 8 o.  
Esquemeling 100 to 6 t and o.  
Aldine 100 to 6 t and o.  
Pampas grass 100 to 6 o.  
Hollands 100 to 6 o.  
Rippontor 100 to 6 o.  
Orichalque 20 to 1 o, 22 to 1 t.  
Astyanax 20 to 1 o, 22 to 1 t.  
British Quota 20 to 1 o, 22 to 1 t.  
Edgehull 20 to 1 o.  
Hypothesis 20 to 1 o.  
The Blue Boy 20 to 1 o.  
Dytcley 25 to 1 o.  
Gynerium 40 to 1 o, 50 to 1 t.  
Pigskin 66 to 1 o.  
The following is the latest call over for the Derby which takes place on June 2:  
Fairford 9 to 1 o, 19 to 2 t.  
Le Grand Duc 100 to 11 o, 10 to 1 t.  
Perifox 13 to 1.  
The Hour 100 to 6 t and o.  
Foray 100 to 6.  
Snowfall 20 to 1 o.

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### THIS SEASON'S YACHTING RESULTS

Major B. E. C. Dixon  
Wins "A" Class

With the racing season drawing to a close the championship races have now been sailed. The racing class yachts sailed the last race of a series of eight races on Saturday last.

Major B. E. C. Dixon, sailing Isobel, won the "A" Class Championship; Miss Crawhall-Wilson, sailing Widgeon, the "I" and "Y" Class; Lt.-Col. S. D. Reid, sailing Dorothea, the "H" Class, and Capt. G. H. H. Baird, sailing Eunice, the "G" Class championship.

The following are the detailed results:

"A" CLASS	
Isobel (Major B. E. C. Dixon)	70
Jan (J. Krogh-Moe)	67
Lobo (Major B. B. Edwards)	58
Artemis (G. G. Woods)	57
True Blue (H. S. Rouse)	56
Joss (Lt.-Col. J. Muirhead)	47
Carpenter (Capt. D. M. Eley)	47
Kittiwake (Miss P. King)	45
Gull (B. Naess)	41
Painted Lady (Lt. S. T. Wheeler)	39
Ere (Capt. E. Bader)	26

"I" AND "Y" CLASS	
Widgeon (Miss Crawhall-Wilson)	58
Stella (F. C. Manning)	52
Zephyr (Major T. C. Sharp)	51
Robena (D. W. Wagstaff)	50
Ailsa (Cdr. G. Barnard)	40
Winkle (B. S. Black and B. S. Carter)	39
Nanette (Lt.-Cdr. W. W. Graves)	33
Heron (Lt. J. E. Moore)	27

"H" CLASS	
Dorothea (Lt.-Col. S. D. Reid)	40
Colleen (Lt. C. A. Luckin and Rev. E. D'A. Staunton)	29
Aeriel (J. A. Kamsky)	24
Diana (J. C. Hull)	23

"G" CLASS	
Eunice (Capt. G. H. W. Baird)	36
Oub (Lt. R. M. E. Pain)	26
Gash (Capt. A. McMillan)	23

TAI-YAT CUP RACE  
The Sailing Committee have decided that the following yachts may compete for the Tai-Yat Cup:

A2, A4, A6, A7, A8, A11, Y1, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y8, H2, H5, H7, H9, G1, G3 and G11.

The race will start from the Club House at 2.15 p.m. on Saturday, April 24.

#### SCANDINAVIAN CUP MATCH

In the match versus the Scandinavians, the following have been chosen to represent Britain:

No. 1 (G. G. Wood, C. D. A. Ross, Capt. D. M. Eley); No. 2 (H. S. Rouse, C. T. Davies, G. H. Gandy); No. 3 (Major Dixon, K. M. A. Barnett, D. W. Wagstaff); No. 4 (C. C. Blake, Capt. Baird, Major B. B. Edwards).

The morning race will start at 11 a.m.—will anyone unable to sail please notify the sailing secretary?

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## Tennis Tournament 1937

Weather permitting, the remaining matches will be played off on the following dates:

Wednesday, 21st April—Semi-Final  
Open Doubles (Fincher & Hung vs. Wong & Lui or Cheung & Hung).

Friday, 23rd April—Semi-Final  
Open Singles (S. A. Rumjahn vs. Fincher).

Monday, 26th April—Semi-Final  
Open Singles—Lower half.

Tuesday, 27th April—Semi-Final  
Open Doubles—Top Half.

Wednesday, 28th April—Final—  
Open Singles.

Thursday, 29th April—Final—Club  
Championship.

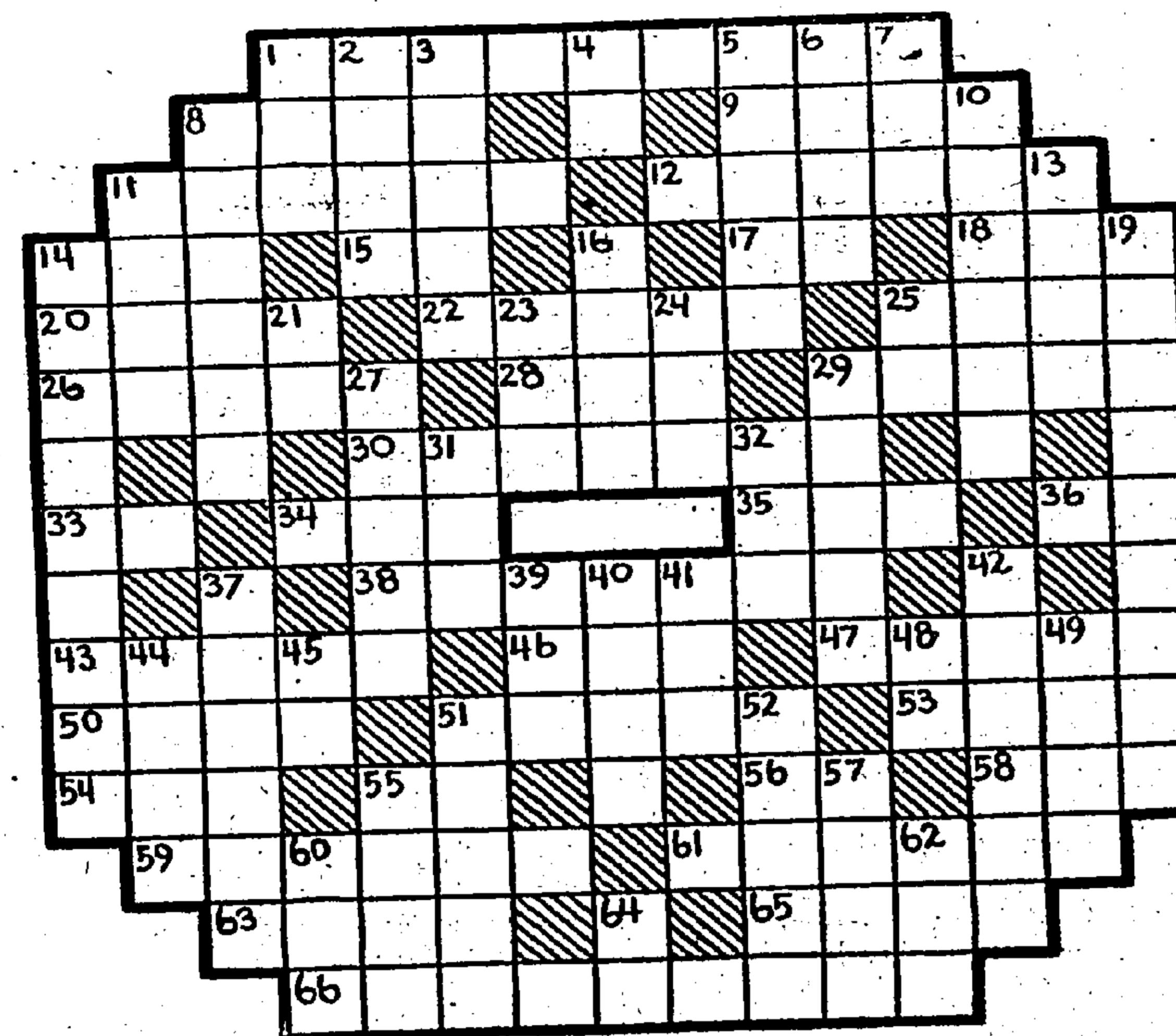
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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert  
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional  
phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



## HORIZONTAL

- 1-Ignor
- 8-Den.
- 9-Fur-bearing animal
- 11-Gained
- 12-Conquer
- 14-Part of a circle
- 15-Half an em
- 17-A length measure (abbr.)
- 18-To plant with seed
- 20-Desire
- 22-Brilliancy
- 25-Solitary
- 26-Jeep
- 29-Combining form. Air
- 29-Inflamed places on the skin
- 30-Try
- 33-Preposition
- 34-By way of
- 35-Noah's ship
- 36-Exist
- 38-Small sparkling object
- 43-Away
- 46-Fish eggs
- 47-Make broader
- 50-An emperor of Rome
- 51-Endures

## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 53-Fatigue
- 54-Look
- 55-Diphthong
- 56-Type measure
- 58-Etruscan god
- 59-Male bees
- 61-Tracks
- 63-Fine rock-material
- 65-Angers
- 66-Abode
- 1-Corn-spike
- 2-Row
- 3-Girl's name
- 4-Into
- 5-Toward the stern
- 6-Examine
- 7-Consum
- 8-An attending male servant
- 10-To have recourse
- 11-Ireland
- 13-Part taken by an actor
- 14-Native of Alatia
- 16-To the sheltered side
- 19-Dweller in western United States

## VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 21-Electrical Engineer (abbr.)
- 23-A feline
- 24-Equip
- 25-Very
- 27-Elevate
- 29-Cover boisterously
- 31-Strike gently
- 32-Pal
- 37-Those who employ
- 39-Constellation
- 40-Part of the face
- 41-Obtain
- 42-Magistrates of ancient Rome
- 44-To sow
- 45-Act
- 48-Pronoun
- 49-Epochs
- 51-Manufacturing city of England
- 52-Greenish finch
- 55-Girl's name
- 57-Residue from wine-making
- 58-Propeller
- 62-A letter
- 64-A medical degree (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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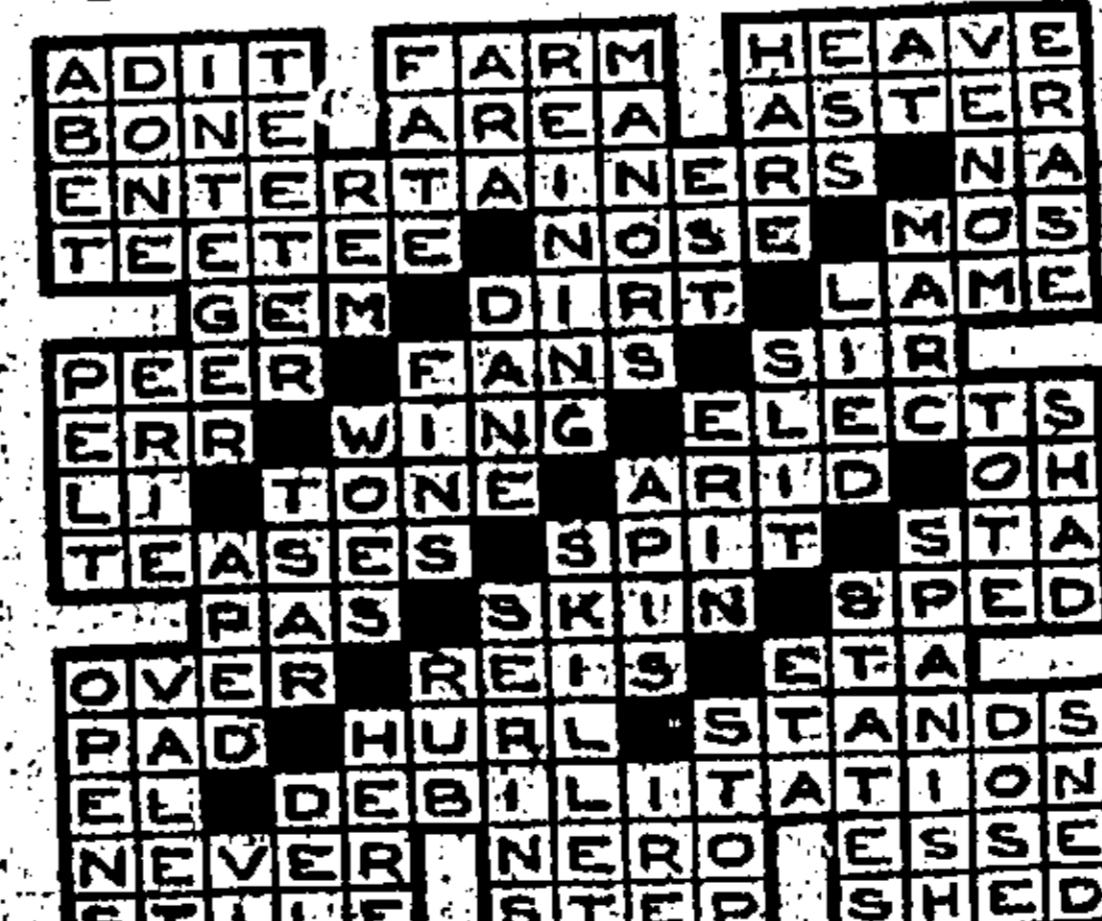
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## Mr. Eden Evades The Issue

London, To-day.

The Labour Party again made an effort to get the Government to define its attitude towards Italian sovereignty over Abyssinia in the House of Commons yesterday.

In reply to a Labour question as to whether, at the next session of the League of Nations, Britain would oppose every move aiming at recognition of this sovereignty, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, refused to make a statement.

Pressed further, he said there had been no change in British policy with respect to the Abyssinian question.—Trans-Ocean.

## CHINA MURDER PLOT

### APPEAL LODGED BY CHANG JU-HUA

Nanking, To-day.

Chang Ju-hua, one of three men sentenced to death by the Nanking District Court yesterday on charges which arose from an alleged plot to assassinate high Government officials in 1935, has decided to lodge an appeal.

The other two accused, Yu Li-kwei and Ho Po-kwang, have not yet followed suit.

The prosecution said the intended victims included General Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Wang Ching-wei and Mr. T. V. Soong.

Six other men were sentenced to terms ranging from five to 12 years imprisonment.—Reuter.

## IMPERIAL AIRWAYS

### Fifteen-Year Agreement With Egypt

Cairo, To-day.

All Egyptian mails to England will be transported by Imperial Airways, according to an agreement reached yesterday.

The Egyptian Government will pay an annual subsidy of £22,500 to Imperial Airways under the agreement, which comes into force next year and will last for fifteen years.—Trans-Ocean.

## Dog Bite Cases

Mr. Lawrence, of No. 23, Wong Nei-cheong Road, has reported to the Police that his dog bit two servants while they were muzzling it. The men were treated at the G. H. and the dog sent to Kennedy Town.

A dog belonging to Mr. P. A. Yvanovich of No. 17 Soares Avenue was sent to Mataukok, for observation, after it had bitten one of the children.

## CHARITY CONCERT

A Charity Concert in aid of the Taipo Rural Orphanage will be held at St. Stephen's Girls' College on Saturday, April 24, commencing at 8 p.m. Prices for admission are \$5, \$2 and \$1.

## Employers Strike First

Paris, To-day. Owners of hotels, cafes and restaurants in the Seine and Eise departments yesterday decided to close their establishments for a month.

This decision is their answer to threats by employees to strike unless the 40-hour week is introduced in restaurants and hotels.—Trans-Ocean.

## HEROIN PILL TRAFFICKERS SENTENCED

### THREE MEN SENT TO GAOL

## "EXCESSIVE BLOOD CIRCULATION"

That excess circulation of his blood caused redness on the palms of his hands was the explanation of 26-year-old Tsoi Wing, who was sentenced to 30 months' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning for the possession of 58,400 heroin pills and 220 ounces of pink mass containing heroin.

Chan Yau, who was charged with the same offence pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment, with hard labour.

The following jury was empanelled to try the case of Tsoi Wing: Messrs. G. Fish (Foreman), Lee Mui-che, Pun Iu-tung, Ho Hung-pong, J. A. Fisher, Tse Tim-chow and A. W. E. Leong.

Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grinnitt, accompanied by Mr. H. A. Taylor, Government Monopoly Analyst, and a party of revenue officers, carried out a raid on the top floor of No. 11, Ewo Hill Road, where both accused were arrested, shortly after 8 a.m. on March 13. The drug and implements for manufacturing heroin pills were found in the house, and both accused's hands were stained red, as a result of making pills.

Three years' hard labour was imposed on Cheung Fong, charged with possession of 15 ounces of heroin and 10,512 heroin pills.

The accused pleaded not guilty and the following jury was empanelled: Messrs. I. F. V. Ribeiro (Foreman), Chan Yau-koi, E. L. Rocha, J. M. Pinto, Tse Wing-yiu, G. S. Ladd and F. T. C. Sormani.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, appeared for the Crown.

## HIGH PRAISE FOR MR. LANSBURY

(Continued from Page 1)

State (Mr. Cordell Hull) had previously averred that they do not intend to initiate a world economic conference, and it is felt that the Belgian Premier, M. van Zeeland, would be the most suitable sponsor.

In Rome the news has created a good impression, though any international conference to satisfy Italy must ostentatiously be dissociated from the League.

"Excellent" sums up an authoritative spokesman's reaction in Paris, where it is felt that the very atmosphere of such a conference would alone be helpful.—Reuter.

## Famous Sea Raider Dead

Berlin, To-day. One of the most heroic and romantic figures of the Great War passed away in Berlin to-day.

He was Captain Lauterbach, whose name is still associated with his exploits on the China Coast before and during the War.

Navigation officer of the German raider "Emden," he later commanded the captured British steamer "Exeter" and carried out a series of daring raids in the Indian Ocean.

He was captured, escaped and repeated his exploits in the raider "Moewe" in 1918.—Reuter.

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## KHO SIN-KIE'S TRIUMPH

### Beats De Stefani In Greek Final

Athens, To-day. China's tennis reputation has gone up considerably as result of a fine win recorded by Kho Sin-kie over Baron G. de Stefani, the Italian Davis Cup player.

Kho won the match, which was the finals of the Men's Singles in the Championship of Greece, by 9-7, 3-6, 10-8 and 7-5.

Baron de Stefani is rated among the tennis "elite" of Europe and Kho's victory has caused somewhat of a sensation.—Trans-Ocean.

## LADY MOTORISTS SUMMONED

### Excessive Speed Alleged Against Mrs. Neil

Appearing on behalf of Mrs. H. B. Neil, of No. 4, Bungalow, Shek O, who was summoned before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy with driving car No. 2765 at a speed dangerous to the public, 40 miles an hour, in Hennessy Road on April 9, Mr. W. MacKinlay pleaded not guilty and the case was adjourned till Monday May 3, at 2.30 p.m.

Mrs. H. R. Forsyth was fined \$5 by Mr. W. Schofield for leaving her car unattended outside Exchange Building on April 8. She pleaded guilty by letter.

Mrs. M. C. Dibb, of No. 552, The Peak, was cautioned for leaving her car outside Messrs. Kayamally on the same date.

## BANI-BETH LODGE DISSOLVED

Berlin, To-day. One of the biggest Jewish lodges in Germany, the independent order of the Bani-Beth, has been dissolved.

The action was taken by the Gestapo (secret police) in the early hours of yesterday morning.—Trans-Ocean.

The music licence of the Empire Ballroom, Doncaster, was renewed on condition that there should be no crooning or amplifiers, and that the music should be kept as soft as possible.

## SINKING OF STAR FERRY

### Harbour Office Inquiry

It was learned this morning that no inquiry will be held by the Marine Court in connection with the sinking of the ferry "Night Star." A departmental inquiry will, however, be conducted by the Harbour Office.

The Marine Court only sits in cases where personnel holding British Board of Trade certificates are involved. In the present case, the only question is the liability of the coxwains in the collision, who hold tickets issued by the Harbour Department.

In the event of an adverse finding against one or both of them in the departmental inquiry, the Harbour Master has the authority to inflict such sentences upon them as he may see fit.

The battleship Warspite, which had been undergoing reconstruction costing £2,269,000 in Portsmouth dockyard, left for trials off Spithead and in the English Channel.

Aged seamen and apprentices shared in a distribution of money, wines and buns at Weymouth, under the trust of Sir Samuel Mico, who died in 1666.

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